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COSTLY SERVICES.

UNITED STATES POSTAL LOSS.

EXPENSIVE SHIPPING.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Washington, Dec. 6.
The annual report of the Postmaster-General states that the United States postal service was conducted at a loss of \$49,453,000 last year.

Over half the outgoing overseas mail and a substantial amount of the incoming mail was carried in American vessels, as a result of giving American ships the 24-hour preference over foreign liners for letter mails, and a bigger preference for parcels.

The United States Shipping Board annual report urges upon Congress the need for Government aid for the American merchant marine. It says the operation of the Government merchant fleet caused a loss of \$30,000,000 in the fiscal year 1925, ending on June 30, compared with a loss of \$41,000,000 in the previous year.

"IMPROVEMENTS."

CAN A LANDLORD CHARGE EXTRA?

INTERESTING POINT.

An interesting point with regard to local rents which arose at the Summary Court this morning was whether a landlord who had improvements effected was entitled to charge extra rent to his tenants for them.

The houses in question were 14, 15 and 16, Jubilee Street. Mr. D. McCallum represented the lessor and Mr. R. A. Winkson the lessees.

After much legal argument a total was taken of items in the contractor's bill which were really considered "improvements" and 8 per cent. was allowed to be charged in the form of increased rent.

ARMY CRICKET.

There has been a change in the Army cricket arrangements. Against the Navy at the H.K.C.C. this Wednesday (start 10.15) the Army team will be—Major W. P. A. Hattersley-Smith, R.A., Major Pollard, R.A.M.C., Captain E. W. Morris, Captain Bridgland, Captain Kent, Captain Warters, Captain Armstrong, Lieut. Smith, R.A., C.Q.M.S. Stripp, C.Q.M.S. Fritz, Mr. Gr. Rough, Gr. Chynton, Umpire—Br. Woods; Scorer—Pte Oliver.

The match between the Army "A" XI and the Kowloon C.C. has been postponed to Wednesday week (Dec. 16).

Five boat-owners were fined \$3 each at the Marine Court this morning for dredging in the harbour without permission. "Another paid a similar amount for infringing a lighterage rule. This afternoon the master of a Japanese steamer is to face a charge of being under way without navigation lights.

In robust ages and in a more primitive society there used to be much popular interest in the sort of competition in which the prize went to the man who could dispose of the largest amount of food in a given time. A contest of that sort, says the "Argonaut," was organised in a mining town in the North of England. One competitor, a giant collier, 6ft. in height and broad in proportion, succeeded in disposing of a leg of mutton, a plentiful supply of vegetables, and plum pudding, washed down with copious draughts of ale.

He was unanimously declared the winner, and was being triumphantly escorted home, when he turned to his admirers and said: "Oh, lads, say, don't say nowt of this to my old woman, or she won't gie me no dinner!"

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.

The closing rate of the dollar, on demand, to-day was 2/4 7/16.

GET RICH QUICK.

"EUROPEAN" RINGS THE CHANGES.

SLIGHT OF HAND DODGE.

"Ring" the changes" on a shopkeeper has once more been successfully worked in the Colony. The trickster is described by Chinese as a "European" although his exact nationality cannot be placed.

This is nothing new to Hongkong. Earlier in the year, the staffs from several Queen's Road shops ran pell-mell into the street one morning when word went round that somebody had the culprit in custody. Nothing eventuated and the man is still at large. Evidently he has laid low during the period of the strike, but last week he was on the prowl once more.

A Central Market fish stall licensee is his latest victim. One evening as the folk were reckoning up the day's takings this "European"—for want of a better name—presented a \$100 bank-note and politely asked, speaking in English, that it be changed into small money, as a special favour to him.

At first the fishmonger refused as he knew it was illegal to act as a money-changer without a licence. After a time he gave in, handed over ten \$10 bills and kept the bigger note.

LOST SHIP ECHO.

MAST SEEN IN HAINAN STRAITS.

TRACE OF "YUE YING WA."

That the coastal steamer "Yue Ying Wa" which is officially presumed to have been lost on the Hainan Straits while on a voyage to Hongkong, with all her European officers and crew, is believed to have been traced, is the substance of a message brought in during the week-end.

The master of the s.s. "Borneo" says:—Hainan Island, bearing South 70° East 1/2 off, passed a rather heavy wooden mast floating perpendicular about 4 feet above water, and apparently well weighted at the bottom. Probably the mast of one of the sunken ships in the vicinity.

If a diver went down to the spot indicated the exact fate of the missing steamer could be discovered although little purpose will be served as there is hardly any room for doubt that she perished in a typhoon. One theory is that the boat listed through the Hainan Strait, bound for the Colony, straggling on the starboard.

TRAFFIC MISHAPS.

TRAM AND LORRY COLLISIONS.

SATURDAY'S ACCIDENTS.

Motor lorries belonging to the P.W.D., tram cars, and the new motor roller were involved in two accidents which took place on Saturday morning.

In the first of these accidents, the hand rail of the tram car was damaged when it collided with a lorry on the Praya. In the other at Wong Nei Chung Road, a tram car ran into the roller and a lorry. The steering gear of the roller was put out of action and the tram car was also damaged.

FALL INTO DOCK.

EUROPEAN ENGINEER DROWNED.

SATURDAY NIGHT'S ACCIDENT.

The body of Mr. David Alfred Morris, third engineer of the s.s. "Mausang," was found floating in the No. 1 dock at Kowloon late on Saturday night. It is believed that Mr. Morris accidentally fell into the water on his way back to the ship which was then alongside the Kowloon Docks for repairs. He had been that afternoon to witness a football match at the Kowloon Football Club ground, of which he was a member.

The deceased, who was 37 years of age, was a native of Cardiff, South Wales, his home being at Spott Road.

The funeral takes place at Happy Valley this afternoon, the cortege passing the monument at 4 o'clock.

PEACE MOVES.

WEST RIVER SHIPPING REPORT.

THE HONGKONG MISSION.

Rumours current that steamers may shortly be despatched from Hongkong to West River ports such as Wuchow, Samshui, etc., have not been substantiated.

Companies concerned state that the difficulty so far is that several customs stations have to be cleared en route and at each station strike pickets are on duty.

It has been decided to allow each of the twenty district commercial guilds in Hongkong to nominate two representatives each for inclusion in the unofficial visit of inspection to Canton. The total number of a hundred will be made up by applications from other representative bodies.

According to present arrangements the mission is likely to leave this week.

N.E. winds, fresh; fine; the weather forecast till noon tomorrow for Hongkong, the coast and Port of Spain Channel. The anticyclone has weakened slightly and fresh monsoon may be expected along the S.E. coast and over the China Sea.

HEAVY LOSSES.

FRENCH REPPEL DRUSE INSURGENTS.

SORTIE FROM CITY.

(Reuter's Service.)

Beirut, December 6.
Sharp fighting was reported yesterday south of Damascus.

A large force of Druses attacked the French post and strong French columns with tanks, armoured cars and aeroplanes made a sortie from the city.

After an all day fight the insurgents were driven off with heavy losses.

(Further Cables.)

Damascus, December 6.
Coincidentally with the arrival of the Commissioner, M. De Juvencel, bands operating around the city, reported to number 2,000 men, threatened an early attack.

The result was acute tension created by the order that no traffic be allowed in the streets after six o'clock in the evening. All permits were withdrawn, and the troops standing by the barricades were increased.

New bands of brigands are forming, one recruited mainly from the Maïdan quarter.

The authorities on December 1, summoned the notables of Maïdan and instructed them that their quarter must resist any attempt at entry by the bands, otherwise the authorities would bombard it. The French heavily bombed the brigands in the gardens near the Shagor quarter.

It is reported that heavy fighting took place recently near Kuneira, also that a large force of Druses have gone to Hauran to endeavour to induce the population to join the rebellion, but the population is determined to remain loyal to French aeroplanes heavily bombing the villages.

Beirut, December 5.

The French have occupied Hama, and Lebanon is now freed from insurgents.

AMERICAN DESTROYERS LEAVE.

Washington, December 6.

The American destroyers at Beirut will be withdrawn immediately the State Department has decided that their presence there is unnecessary.

MOON-GOD.

TEMPLE SECRETS UNVEILED.

SEARCH FOR RELICS.

There is every prospect that some very fine discoveries will be made during excavations in Mesopotamia next season," said Dr. J. R. Hall, Keeper of the Egyptian and Assyrian Antiquities at the British Museum, to the "Sunday Times."

"The British Museum," Dr. Hall said, "is continuing during the coming season the excavations, which have been carried on during the past three years jointly with the University Museum of Philadelphia, U.S.A., on the site of Ur of the Chaldees, in Southern Mesopotamia, the ancient Babylon."

"Mr. C. L. Woolley, a well-known archaeologist, who has previously done valuable excavating work in Egypt, and in Carthage, Mesopotamia, is in charge of the operations."

"When I was in Mesopotamia in 1919," said Dr. Hall, "I discovered a 'wall temple' dedicated to the goddess Ninkharsag, 'the Lady of the Mountains,' dated about 3200 B.C. That was before the traditional time when Abraham lived."

"The work which the present expedition proposes to do is, at the great temple of the Moon God at Ur of the Chaldees."

"Many of the antiquities found at Ur and at Tell el-'Obaid, fine miles distant, are quite as old as Abraham. Most of the temples possessed a library, and it can be found in the temple of the Moon God. It is possible it will contain writings mentioning Abraham or the tribe of which he is supposed to be a descendant. This would settle the claim of which archaeologists are seeking proof, that Abraham was an historical person."

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FAVOURITE LAST. AUTUMN CHAMPIONS SENSATION. EXTRA RACE MEETING. SALIGIA'S SURPRISE WIN IN BIG RACE.

Although the public lost Saligia's surprise victory in the Hongkong Autumn Champions on Saturday proved very popular. Local Option started a red hot favourite and finished last in the smallest field of the season's closing (eighth) extra race meeting.

As expected there were only three starters in the Champions, viz., Local Option, Grey Morn (second) in the Derby and Cham-pions and winner of this season's Aggregate Cup, and Saligia. To the crowd's astonishment the hottest favourite of the afternoon failed to draw alongside at the critical moment and for some inexplicable reason gradually fell back in the straight.

Ponies with the heaviest support won in four events, out of seven. In two other races besides the Champions there were bad upsets.

Mr. Davies rode three winners, bringing his total for the season up to 13 and tying Mr. Harriman (top last year and now in Singapore) for third place. By winning twice on Saturday Lt. Com. Thompson made his aggregate 20 as against Mr. Pollock's 19, the latter for once failing.

In addition to Spotted Sand carrying off the St. Andrew's Stakes, Mr. "Dynasty" had another winner in King of the Plains who also ran second in an earlier event.

Head weather prevailed but the crowd was still below normal, making for slightly smaller cash sweep prizes.

Extraordinarily close finishes in three handicaps made excellent testimony to the weight adjuster.

The officials were:—
Mr. M. T. Johnson, Mr. H. Birkett, Mr. C. A. Peel, Mr. R. M. Dyer, Mr. F. G. Walker, Mr. D. E. Clark, Judge, Mr. M. T. Johnson, Assistant Judge, Mr. R. M. Dyer, In Charge of the Scales, Lieut. Col. G. K. Hall Brutton, Starter, Mr. C. L. Oliphant, Second Starter, Mr. C. A. Peel, Paddock, Mr. F. G. Walker, Timekeeper, Dr. J. C. Macgown, Honorary Surgeon.

An excellent programme of music was discoursed by the T. East Surrey Band.

Below will be found the results of the Cash Sweeps. The numbers of the winning tickets and the respective prizes are given.

Drawers of unplaced starters get \$50 each except in Race 4 where the prize money is \$100 each.

Race 1.
No. 135, \$1,220.10
" 234, 348.60
" 159, 174.30
Unplaced:—177, 172, 114, 121, 142.

Race 2.
No. 23, \$1,663.00
" 247, 476.00
" 144, 238.00
Unplaced:—538.

Race 3.
No. 655, \$2,053.10
" 609, 586.60
" 300, 293.30
Unplaced:—10, 174.

Race 4.
No. 9, \$4,672.50
" 174, 1,335.00
" 80, 667.50
Unplaced:—436, 707, 758.

Race 5.
No. 723, \$2,406.94
" 370, 887.40
" 472, 343.70
Unplaced:—745, 89.

Race 6.
No. 183, \$2,538.20
" 533, 725.20
" 165, 362.60
Unplaced:—588.

Race 7.
No. 348, \$2,734.20
" 428, 731.20
" 274, 390.60

Racing results follow:—
1. — 2.30 P.M. KILMARNOCK HANDICAP: "B" CLASS: SIX FURLONGS. — For China ponies. Entrance fee \$5. 1st Prize: \$400. 2nd Prize: \$150. 3rd Prize: \$100.

Lt. Com. "C. R. Thompson's Hallsham, 142 lbs. (owner) 1
Mr. Jonathan's Solly, 147 lbs. (Mr. Brodie) 2
Mr. Bartholomew's Nuggett, 152 lbs. (Mr. Reidy) 3
Mr. Fate's Two Pairs, 165 lbs. (Mr. Doyle) 4

Also ran:—Jambou (late Starter Dahlia) (Mr. Pollock), Mowgli (Captain E. Hall), May Leaf (Mr. da Roza), Uncle Tam (Mr. Buck).
Time: 1:38.
Short head, 2 lengths.
Part-mutuel:—
Winner \$27.60
Place 1st 7.10
2nd 9.00
3rd 6.10

Several false starts preceded the biggest field of the day getting away evenly with Solly, Mowgli and Two Pairs in the vanguard. Nuggett took second berth after a furlong and at the Rock the runners were close together. Hallsham took the lead rounding the last bend but was caught by Solly at the distance post. In a desperate set-to Solly (on the rails) lost by the barest margin while Nuggett was losing ground at the winning post. Two Pairs was fairly prominent throughout but not good enough to get in the first three. The first two furlongs were done in quick time.

2. — TROON HANDICAP: ONE MILE. — For China ponies. Entrance fee \$5. 1st Prize: \$400. 2nd Prize: \$150. 3rd Prize: \$100.

Mr. A. J. Paterson's September, 145 lbs. (Lt. Com. Thompson) 1
Mr. Dynasty's King of the Plains, 158 lbs. (Mr. Davies) 2
Mr. J. T. Bagram's King Emperor, 149 lbs. (Mr. Brodie) 3
Messrs. Dunbar and Stanton's Chicago, 155 lbs. (Mr. Pollock) 4

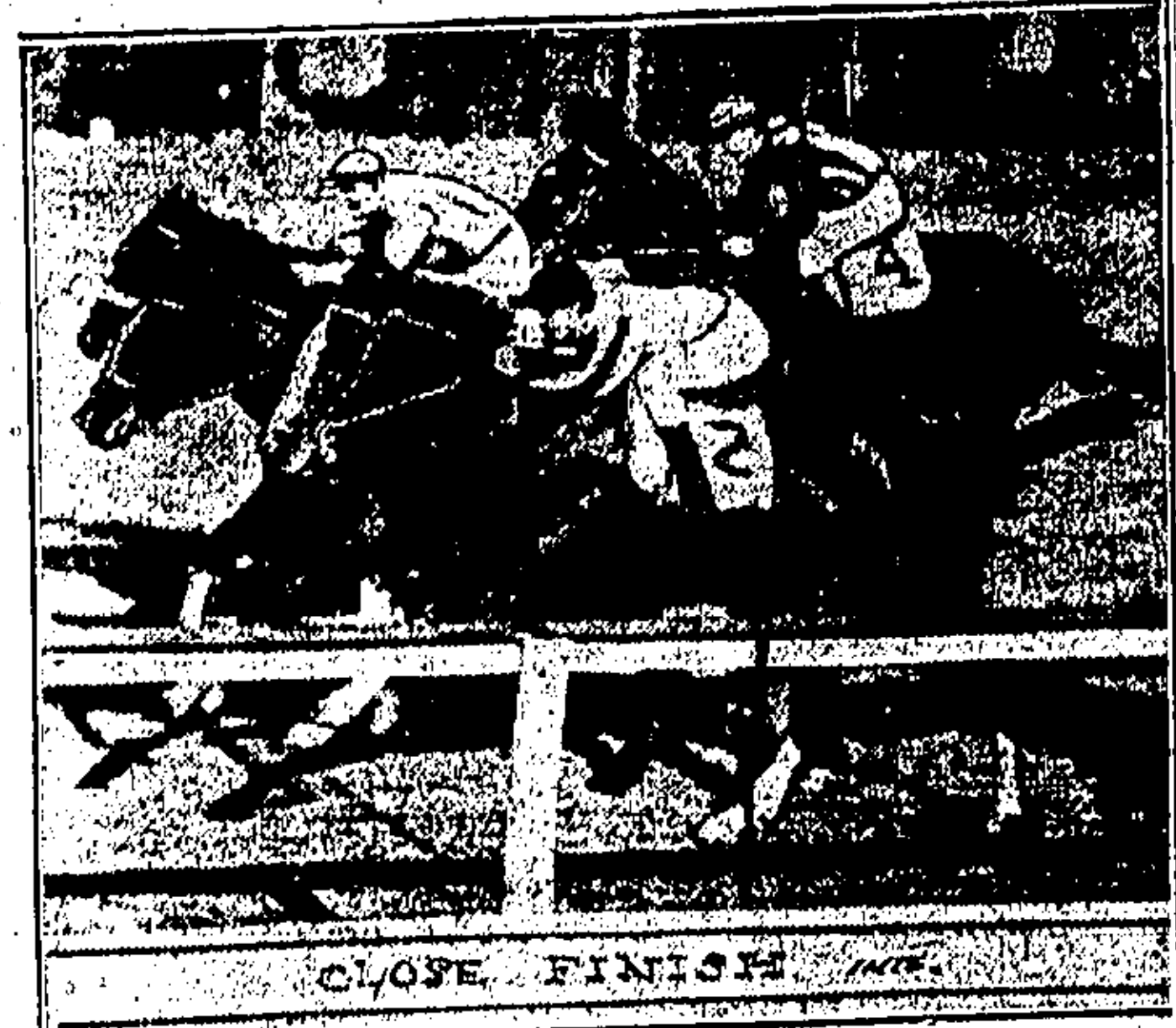
Time: 2:06.15.
A head, many lengths.
Part-mutuel:—
Winner \$9.10
Place 1st 6.60
2nd 9.90

3. — KILMARNOCK HANDICAP: "A" CLASS: SIX FURLONGS. — For China ponies. Entrance fee \$5. 1st Prize: \$400. 2nd Prize: \$150. 3rd Prize: \$100.

Mr. H. P. White's Saracen, 150 lbs. (Mr. Davies) 1
Mr. J. T. Bagram's Gyp, 148 lbs. (Mr. Brodie) 2
Mr. Roda's Arabian Parrot, 155 lbs. (Mr. da Roza) 3
Messrs. Dyer and Beith's Loch Rannoch, 155 lbs. (Lt. Com. Thompson) 4

Also ran:—The Regent (Mr. Pollock).
Time: 1:33.1/5.
1/2 length, 1 1/2 lengths.
Part-mutuel:—
Winner \$47.70
Place 1st 19.10
2nd 23.60

Crossing and injudicious riding were seen in this race, and the two least backed ponies finished first and second. The Regent made the pace with the others in the order named, viz., Arabian Parrot, Saracen, Gyp and Loch Rannoch. On the slope first the Parrot and then Saracen burst in front, the latter cutting in front of other runners. With Saracen showing, the field closed up entering the straight. Loch Rannoch made a challenge on the outside but gradually faded out. Racing in a line, Arabian Parrot came along on the rails with



A close finish in a race at Empire City in which Fleetwood (No. 4) won by a nose after being left at the start.

After the previous disappointment to punters the favourite romped home here but it was a close thing. The winner made the pace from the fall of the flag, followed by King Emperor and King of the Plains. From the outset Chicago was out of the race and he finished a bad last. Going up the incline September showed a clean pair of heels to King of the Plains. The latter was gaining and nearly fell in over-reaching himself in his stride. From the Rock the race became a duel between the two placed ponies and a ding-dong struggle up the straight saw Lt. Com. Thompson get a second effort out of his mount to take premier honours in a hard tussle.

4. — SEAMILL PLATE (NOVICES RACE): ONE MILE. — For China ponies. Entrance fee \$5. 1st Prize: \$400. 2nd Prize: \$150. 3rd Prize: \$100.

Messrs. Dyer and Beith's Rothesay, 157 lbs. (Mr. Reidy) 1
Mrs. R. M. Austin's Grey Streak, 157 lbs. (Captain Oxspring) 2
Mr. W. T. Stanton's Beldorney Star, 152 lbs. (owner) 3
Mr. Fate's Two Pairs, 162 lbs. (Mr. da Roza) 4

Also ran:—Solly (Mr. Buck).
Time: 2:11.
1/2 length, 1 1/2 lengths.
Part-mutuel:—
Winner \$10.20
Place 1st 5.90
2nd 6.10

Once more Mr. Reidy proved that the definition of "novice" is obscure. He piloted the favourite with excellent judgment, being content to be last till the last quarter when he won without recourse to the whip. Rothesay, ridden with the hands, responded gallantly and came up the straight from the distance post with that famous last kick of his that has not been seen so many times this season. Two Pairs led from Solly, Grey Streak and the last named jumped up at the foot of the stand into the straight. Two Pairs was still first but Grey Streak and the Star both passed him. Grey Streak came on a little but the winner always had his

measure and the half-length decision flattered the loser.

5. — AYR PLATE: (ABOUT 1 MILE 165 YARDS). — For China ponies, griffins of 1925, that have started in at least one race in Hongkong previous to this meeting. W.I. Winners of two races 5 lbs. extra; of three or more races 10 lbs. extra. Non-winners allowed 5 lbs. Subscription griffins of this season allowed 5 lbs. Jockey allowance. Entrance fee \$5. 1st Prize: \$400. 2nd Prize: \$150. 3rd Prize: \$100.

Mr. Dynasty's King of the Plains, 155 lbs. (Mr. Davies) 1
Mr. Roda's Arabian Parrot, 155 lbs. (Mr. da Roza) 2
Mr. Bartholomew's Nuggett, 143 lbs. (Mr. Reidy) 3
Mr. Relyon's Uncle Alf (late Primrose Leaf), 150 lbs. (Mr. Buck) 4

Time: 2:25.3/5.
3 lengths, 4 lengths.
Part-mutuel:—
Winner \$7.70
Place 1st 5.80
2nd 6.80

This race was decided in the first two furlongs which were run at top speed. Arabian Parrot was left but immediately ran in company with King of the Plains until the Rock, when the King asserted his supremacy, winning comfortably. The Parrot's finish did not convince. In consequence Nuggett seemed to be running on at the end, but he was four lengths further back.

6. — HONGKONG AUTUMN CHAMPIONS: ONE AND A QUARTER MILES. — For China ponies. Winners at extra meetings during 1925 only. W.I. Entrance fee \$5. 1st Prize: \$500. 2nd Prize: \$200. 3rd Prize: \$100.

Messrs. Hall and Shenton's Saligia, 155 lbs. (Mr. Doyle) 1
Messrs. Dyer and Beith's Grey Morn, 158 lbs. (Lt. Com. Thompson) 2
Mr. E. D. F. Beith's Local Option, 158 lbs. (Mr. Pollock) 3

Time: 2:38.3/5.
6 lengths, 1/2 length.
Part-mutuel:—
Winner \$36.10
Place 1st 85.00

As expected, Saligia made the pace, and the whole race was run in very good time. Local Option was second a few lengths behind, with Grey Morn much further back passing the stands for the first time. At the six furlong post Local Option began to gain on the leader. Saligia was never headed. Near the Rock Local Option was about half a length behind. With two furlongs to go, Saligia had forged ahead again by two lengths, while Local Option still seemed to be running nicely. In the straight it soon became evident that the leader was not going to be caught, and finished without being fully extended. Grey Morn made a belated sprint at the mile post and finally beat the favourite by half a length, the three ponies finishing exactly in the opposite order to the public fancy.

7. — ST. ANDREW'S STAKES: ONE AND A HALF MILES. — \$400 with a cup presented. For China ponies. W.I. Winners of one race 5 lbs. penalty of two races 7 lbs. penalty, of three or more races 10 lbs. penalty. Unplaced runners during 1925 and subscription griffins of 1925 allowed 5 lbs. Jockey allowance. Entrance fee \$5. 2nd Prize: \$150. 3rd Prize: \$100.

Mr. Dynasty's Spotted Sand, 165 lbs. (Mr. Davies) 1
Messrs. Dyer and Beith's Blotting Paper, 162 lbs. (Lt. Com. Thompson) 2
Messrs. Dunbar and Stanton's Wimmera, 153 lbs. (Mr. Brodie) 3
Mr. R. M. Austin's Grey Knight, 165 lbs. (Mr. Pollock) 4

Also ran:—Uncle Chick (late Captain Chrysanthemum) (Mr. Pollock), Persian Parrot (Mr. da Roza).
Time: 3:21.
1 1/2 lengths, 4 lengths.
Part-mutuel:—
Winner \$11.70
Place 1st 6.10
2nd 7.10
3rd 9.50

Uncle Chick was first away in the Stakes, but Wimmera immediately made the running in front of Spotted Sand. Blotting Paper brought up the rear, passing the post the first time. Grey Knight had moved into third position and Persian Parrot whipped.

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FANLING GOLF.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS IN CHAMPIONSHIP.

THE SEMI-FINALISTS.

As a result of play at Fanling yesterday four semi-finalists are left in the Golf Club championship. The play (1st round in the morning and 2nd round after 11 a.m.) was:—

1st Round:
H. U. Ireland beat G. S. Archbutt 5 and 3.
N. L. Smith beat A. B. Purves 5 and 4.
A. H. Ferguson beat J. Bulmer Johnson 5 and 4.
F. J. de Rome beat L. S. Dodwell 2 and 1.
W. Douglas beat T. D. E. Pendered 2 up.
Capt. H. F. Bloxham beat W. Lang 4 and 3.
J. M. Walker beat F. A. Redmond at the 19th hole.
R. M. Smith beat T. G. Bennett 1 up.

2nd Round:
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A. H. Ferguson beat F. J. de Rome 6 and 5.
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The semi-finals will be played next Sunday and the final (36 holes) on Sunday, December 20.

Governor's Shield.
Results to date in the Governor's Shield are:—

1st Round:—T. D. E. Pendered and W. A. Butterfield (A.P.C.) beat H. G. Hegarty and W. J. Clerk (H.K. Bank) 5 and 3; L. T. Watty and D. Reid (Chartered Bank) beat J. T. Smalley and D. J. Valentine (Government Medical Service), 5 and 4; W. W. Mackenzie and W. B. Cornaby (Jardine's) "walk-over" from A. Cameron and T. G. Monaghan (C.P.S.); H. U. Ireland and W. Ironside (B. & S.) beat C. D. Lambert and J. Smith (Kowloon-Canton Railway), 5 and 4.

The following drew byes:—
P. J. J. Wodehouse and Capt. Bloxham (Police), T. G. Bennett and L. R. Andrews (Johnson, Stokes and Master), F. J. de Rome and A. O. Brown (Education Department), F. A. Perry and S. M. Mayes (B.A.T.), F. H. Crappell and J. Hooper (Godown Co.), G. S. Hugh Jones and J. T. Pryor (Wilkinson & Grist).

F. J. de Rome and A. O. Brown (Education Department), who drew a bye in the first round, beat F. A. Perry and S. M. Mayes (B.A.T.), 4 and 3.

Other byes are:—C. W. Jefferies and B. D. Evans (Royal Observatory) v. R. M. Smith and L. G. S. Dodwell (Dodwell & Co.), J. H. Hearn and J. S. Gillingham (Naval Yard) v. J. Shellshear and F. A. Redmond (University), H. S. Bennett and J. P. Sherry (Hongkong Telephone Co.) v. D. McLaren and N. Currie (Davis Boag and Co.).

The second round has to be played off by December 20, the third by January 3 and the fourth by January 17. The date of the final will be fixed later.

School teacher: "Why is a certain part of the church called the altar?"

Tommy: "Because it is where people change their names."

HOCKEY.

The following have been selected to represent the Club against the Navy on Wednesday, December 9, at 1.15 p.m. sharp:—

P. W. F. Mills, D. H. Sherman, A. P. T. Parquharson, A. S. Hett, E. J. R. Mitchell (capt.), Rev. E. W. L. Martin, H. Owen Hughes, W. Woodward, A. Dyer Ball, B. D. Evans and C. P. Langford.

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SANTOS MARU ... Wednesday, 30th December
SOMERSET—Via Singapore and Colombo.
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HONOLULU MARU ... Sunday, 14th December
INDO MARU ... Thursday, 31st December
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KORISO MARU ... Friday, 11th December
SANGKOK—Via Singapore and Hongkong.
KORISO MARU ... Friday, 11th December
COLUMBIA—Via Singapore and Hongkong.
BINGO MARU ... Friday, 11th December
FIDELITY, SEATTLE, YACONIA & YACONIA—Via Shanghai and Japan Ports.
ARABIA MARU (From Shanghai) ... Monday, 14th December
NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, Suez, Singapore and Port Said.
HAYANA MARU (From Kung'ung) ... Saturday, 12th December
HAIPHONG—Via HONGKONG and PAKHONG.
AMAKUSA MARU ... Friday, 11th December at 10 a.m.
TAIKWA MARU ... Friday, 11th December at 12 a.m.
JAPAN PORTS
AMAZON MARU ... Tuesday, 12th December
SEATTLE MARU ... Thursday, 24th December
ALPS MARU ... Thursday, 14th January
CHILUNG—Via SWATOW & AMOY.
TAIKWA MARU ... Saturday, 12th Dec. at 8 a.m.
KAJO MARU ... Sunday, 13th Dec. at 11 a.m.
TAKAO—Via SWATOW & AMOY.
KOTSU MARU ... Thursday, 17th Dec. at 8 a.m.
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Names.	Hongkong Stock Exchange	Hongkong Sharebrokers Association	Share & Real Estate Brokers Society.
T.T. on London	2/4 3/4	2/4 3/4	2/4 3/4
T.T. on Shanghai	75 3/4	75 3/4	75 3/4
Banks.			
Hongkong Bank	108 1/2	\$108 1/2	\$108 1/2
Chartered Bank	130 1/2	130 1/2	130 1/2
do. London	130 1/2	130 1/2	130 1/2
Mercantile Bank, A. & B.	130 1/2	130 1/2	130 1/2
do. C.	130 1/2	130 1/2	130 1/2
P. & O. Bank	130 1/2	130 1/2	130 1/2
Bank of East Asia	130 1/2	130 1/2	130 1/2
Marine Insurance.			
Canton Insurance	600	600	600
China Underwriters	215	215	215
North China Insurance	140	140	140
Union Insurance	250	250	250
Yangtze Insurance	35	35	35
Fire Insurance.			
China Fire Insurance	160	160	160
H.K. Fire Insurance	600	600	600
Shipping.			
Douglases	40	40	40
Hongkong Steamboats	23	23	23
H.K. Tugs & Lighters	42 1/2	42 1/2	42 1/2
Indo-Chinas (Pref.)	38	38	38
do. (Def.) Ld.	70 1/2	70 1/2	70 1/2
do. () H.K.	70 1/2	70 1/2	70 1/2
Oriental Navigation	250	250	250
Shell Transports	98 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2
Star Ferries	60 1/2	60 1/2	60 1/2
Water-boats	16	16	16
Refineries.			
China Sugars	31	31	31
Malayan Sugars	48	48	48
Mining.			
Benguet	2	2	2
Kailan Mining Ad.	45 1/2	45 1/2	45 1/2
Langkats (Combined)	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2
do. (Single)	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
Shanghai Exploration	54	54	54
Shanghai Loan	8	8	8
Rauha	7	7	7
Troms Mines	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2
Ural Caspians	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2
Docks, Wharves Godowns, &c.			
H.K. & K. Wharves	113 1/2	113 1/2	113 1/2
H.K. & W. Docks	55 1/2	55 1/2	55 1/2
Hongkew	160	160	160
New Engineerings	7	7	7
Shanghai Docks	117	117	117
Lands, Hotels & Bldgs.			
H.K. & S. Hotels (old)	94 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2
do. (new)	68 1/2	68 1/2	68 1/2
Hongkong Lands	6	6	6
H.K. Realty	5	5	5
H.K. Territorials	16	16	16
Humphreys Estates	150	150	150
Princes Building	7	7	7
Rural Lands			
Cotton Mills.			
Ewo Cottons	110 1/2	110 1/2	110 1/2
Oriental	320 1/2	320 1/2	320 1/2
Shanghai Cottons (old)	66	66	66
do. (new)	36	36	36
Miscellaneous.			
Canton Ices	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2
Cements (comb.)	15 1/2	15 1/2	15 1/2
do. (old)	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2
do. (new)	3	3	3
China Buses	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
China Lights (comb.)	19 1/2	19 1/2	19 1/2
do. (old)	15 1/2	15 1/2	15 1/2
do. (new)	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
China Prov. (comb.)	33	33	33
do. (old)	9 1/2	9 1/2	9 1/2
do. (new)	0 1/2	0 1/2	0 1/2
Dairy Farms	18 1/2	18 1/2	18 1/2
Der A Wing (full pd.)	10	10	10
do. (part pd.)	5	5	5
Hongkong Amusements	10	10	10
H.K. Constructions	18 1/2	18 1/2	18 1/2
Hongkong Electric	55	55	55
H.K. Developments	30 1/2	30 1/2	30 1/2
H.K. Ropes (comb.)	40	40	40
do. (old)	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2
do. (new)	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2
Hongkong Tramways	25	25	25
Lane, Crawfords	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2
Macao Electric	40	40	40
Mackintosh	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2
Nanyang Tobacco	15 1/2	15 1/2	15 1/2
Peak Trams (old)	15 1/2	15 1/2	15 1/2
do. (new)	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2
Sinceres	11	11	11
Singapore Trams	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2
Taxis	5	5	5
United Asbestos	20	20	20
do. (Founders)	600	600	600
do. (Ordinary)	18	18	18
Watsons (old)	16	16	16
do. (new)	15	15	15
Wm. Powells	13	13	13

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500,000 Hotels	500,000 Hotels
500 Cements	500 Cements
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100 Wharf	100 Wharf
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By the will of Mr. James Buchanan Duke, the tobacco king, who died from pneumonia on October 10, the bulk of his enormous fortune, estimated at \$30,000,000, goes to his 12-year-old daughter Doris and his widow, Nunnah E. Duke.

The daughter's legacy, which makes her probably the richest child heiress in the world, is in the form of a trust fund, from which she and her mother will derive their income during the latter's life, after which the whole money will be made over to Doris in three instalments.

FIRST WIFE STARVING.

No mention is made in the will of the divorced first wife of Mr. Duke, Lillian N. Duke, who is reported to be dying through starvation and penury in a one-room apartment in New York.

Up to the time of Mr. Duke's death she claimed that she was his rightful wife, and in May she engaged in litigation to have his divorce from her invalidated, but the case was dismissed.

Mr. Duke's only bequest of a public nature is an additional gift of \$10,000,000 to the Duke University at Durham, N.C., which received eight million sterling from him during his lifetime.

The sum of \$500,000 is set aside for distribution among his cousins, their children each to share alike.

Mr. Duke, it will be recalled, developed the mammoth tobacco trust known as the American Tobacco Company, and was the originator of the cigarette picture. His \$30,000,000 park at Somerville, New Jersey, has been described as the most costly and beautiful in the world.

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PRIZES.

We are without reasons for the withholding of the Nobel Peace Prize for yet another year. A fair surmise would be that perhaps the Committee find it difficult to make a suitable selection. It is not that so few have distinguished themselves in the pursuit of peace, but that so many have engaged in this hitherto unorthodox pastime. We speak unpolitically of the efforts of leading men of different countries to steer clear of misunderstandings and instead of mobilising fleets and armies on the slightest provocation, mobilise instead understanding and reason. This is all to the good, and if the Nobel Committee find it difficult to make one outstanding selection, because of the reason suggested, we should be glad of it. This disinterested method of awarding prizes for things of note, is not copied as widely as it might be. America, as usual, is in advance of others in what she does in this respect. There is a modern literary journal which annually makes an award of two thousand dollars gold to the individual who, in the opinion of the journal, has done good work in the cause of American literature. The idea of the award is that for at least a year, an American writer will be free from the worry of want, and free in mind to pursue his or her course to the great advantage of literature. There is in America also the Pulitzer prizes for the best leader in an American newspaper; the best novel with an American background; the best play; poem, etc. In England there are several societies which make small annual awards for

such things as the best piece of imaginative literature. The cause of literature seems well supported. Doubtless there are other agencies interested in different lines of art which encourage what may well be described as noble effort. Industrial firms invite suggestions from their workpeople, and make an award for the best of them, whether used or not, which make for advancement and progress. In this way is incentive encouraged and progressive thought receives an impetus which otherwise might be dormant. In a somewhat similar way, architectural competitions are much to be desired and encouraged. We should like to see it the rule in Hongkong, that designs for public buildings do not come from one source, but that the architectural profession as a whole—so widely represented in the Colony—be invited to submit designs. If there are any possibilities for using the Prize idea in the Colony, some scheme should be thought out. Some things are far from perfect and they remain in a state of imperfection through indolence of initiative—particularly in thought. An annual essay competition in the schools on such subjects as—Harbour Improvement—Housing—Roads—Traffic—Conveyance, etc.—might be of some good; certainly of no harm. The best piece of local portraiture, whether of the brush or camera; sculpture, if any engage in that desirable art; writing, and even of speech, should find itself, or its originator honoured and sung as are those who engage in many games of sports.

Two men met in the street one day. "Hello, Bill," said one. "I haven't seen you for weeks! What's wrong? You're looking mighty seedy. Been ill?" The other passed his horny hand across his brow. "No, I ain't been ill," he replied. "It's work, wot's doin' for me—work from eight in the mornin' till six at night, and only one hour off. Think of it!" "Awful!" agreed the first. "And 'ow long 'ave you been there?" "I ain't been there yet," explained Bill gloomily. "begin to-morrow!"

My old man's very honest. He found a pocket-wallet; rather nice, and a pocket straight to the Police Station. The wallet was empty, of course. That woman next door always collects up the dust in the 'all with a dust-pan. What she's got mate for I don't know. I never talks about the neighbours I don't—unless they've done something that ought to be talked about, you know. We do a lot of listening-in, we does, and hears a lot of funny things. Wireless? Oh, no; thin

HOME SOCCER.

SURPRISES IN SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

MANY AWAY VICTORIES.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, Dec. 5.
League football matches played to-day (home team given first) resulted:—

DIVISION I.

Birmingham 2, Leeds U. 1.
Blackburn 1, Liverpool 1.
Cardiff 2, Notts County 1.
Everton 2, West Ham 0.
Huddersfield 2, Arsenal 2.
Manchester City 5, Leicester 1.
Sheffield 2, Bolton 0.
Sunderland 2, Manchester United 1.
Tottenham 2, Aston Villa 2.
West Bromwich 4, Newcastle 0.
Bury v. Burnley postponed owing to frost.

DIVISION II.

Barnsley 2, Swansea 0.
Blackpool 2, Fulham 0.
Bradford City 0, Portsmouth 1.
Chelsea 1, Stoke 1.
Clapton 0, Wednesday 0.
Stockport 1, Darlington 1.
Derby 2, Middlesbrough 0.
Hull 1, Oldham 2.
Notts Forest 4, Preston N. E. 0.
Port Vale 3, Wolverhampton 0.
Southampton 0, South Shields 1.

DIVISION III (SOUTH).

Aberdare 3, Bournemouth 2.
Brentford 1, Merton 1.
Brighton 1, Charlton 0.
Bristol City 5, Luton 1.
Millwall 3, Exeter 0.
Northampton 0, Reading 1.
Norwich 2, Swindon 2.
Plymouth 3, Q. P. Rangers 1.
Southend 3, Bristol Rovers 1.
Watford 3, Gillingham 1.
Crystal Palace v. Newport postponed owing to frost.

DIVISION III (NORTH).

Aberdeen 0, Hearts 1.
Airdrieonians 1, Morton 2.
Celtic 1, Clydebank 1.
Cowdenbeath 3, Falkirk 0.
Dundee United 1, Partick 0.
Hibernians 7, Hamilton Acad. 4.
Kilmarnock 2, Rangers 2.
Motherwell 0, St. Mirren 1.
Queen's Park 1, Dundee 3.
St. Johnstone 3, Raith Rovers 1.

ENGLISH LEAGUE.

League tables to date follow:—

Division I.

Team	P.W.D.	L.F.A.	Pts.			
Sunderland	20	11	4	50	35	26
Arsenal	19	11	4	44	31	25
Aston Villa	18	8	7	34	30	23
Huddersfield	17	8	7	23	25	23
Manch. U.	18	9	4	52	22	22
W. Bromwich	8	5	5	40	32	21
Bolton	10	8	4	7	35	20
Tottenham	10	8	4	7	37	20
Sheffield U.	18	8	3	7	46	19
Birmingham	18	8	3	7	30	19
Liverpool	17	6	6	5	26	19
Newcastle U.	17	6	5	6	30	17
Everton	10	5	7	7	38	17
West Ham	19	8	1	10	25	17
Notts County	19	6	4	9	29	16
Cardiff City	17	7	2	10	26	16
Blackburn	19	5	5	9	42	15
Leeds U.	18	6	3	9	25	15
Leicester	18	5	4	9	35	14
Bury	17	6	2	9	20	14
Wolverhampton	19	4	5	10	43	13
Burnley	17	3	5	9	25	11

Division II.

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Wednesday	18	11	3	44	23	25
Derby	17	10	5	2	36	16
Chelsea	17	9	6	2	30	16
Middlesbrough	19	12	0	7	41	15
Oldham	16	9	4	3	32	22
South Shields	18	0	6	3	32	22
Port Vale	18	0	2	7	37	20
Postsmouth	18	8	1	7	35	13
Bradford City	17	7	4	2	37	17
Blackpool	19	8	2	9	37	18
Preston N. E.	18	8	2	10	36	18
Swansea	16	8	1	7	31	17
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Barnsley	17	5	6	6	22	16
Southampton	19	5	5	9	27	15
Stoke	18	6	3	9	25	15
Notts Forest	18	5	4	9	20	22
Clapton	17	4	2	11	18	27
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CORRESPONDENCE.

HONGKONG'S DEATH TRAPS.

READER'S PROTEST.

(To the Editor of the China Mail.)

Sir.—There is an urgent need for some order being passed that will compel owners of property, such as exists in the densely populated district of Wanchai, to provide means of escape in the event of fire. In very isolated cases provision for escape has been made by an iron ladder being fixed, to enable those unfortunate enough to be cut off from safety, in case of fire, to reach the street. This, however, is not enough. While death traps such as these are allowed to be demolished, only to be re-erected on the same old plan, some Ordinance should surely be passed making it compulsory for owners of property to make an exit at the rear of these buildings.

While there is yet time would the Authorities give this their consideration.

Thanking you, and apologising for encroaching on your space to this extent.

Yours etc.

SAFETY FIRST.

Hongkong, Dec. 5.

The Ordinances provide that on every storey the floor of which is more than 10 feet above the level of the street, such means of escape in the case of fire for the persons dwelling or employed therein shall be provided, as the Building Authority may reasonably require. This practically limits the buildings over which such powers of enforcing means of escape are given to buildings of four storeys.

With regard to houses which come within the section, the Building Authority is informed of their erection by means of a system of inspectors for different districts into which the Colony is divided. He is in constant communication with the Captain Superintendent of Police who is ex officio head of the Fire Department, with regard to enforcing means of escape in buildings over which he has the power. Alternative methods of escape, generally by means of a staircase ladder, have to be provided. Editor, "China Mail."

"THE BOND BOY."

TODAY'S QUEEN'S THEATRE ATTRACTION.

Richard Barthelmess in "The Bond Boy," has a production that is strongly suggestive of "Tolstoy David." Both have the same type of characters and the stories deal with struggles against almost overwhelming poverty on the part of certain poor white folks in a Southern State.

In this picture, Barthelmess again scores a great personal hit and does some exceedingly fine work. Cast in the title role, as a boy who, because of the extreme poverty of his widowed mother, is boarded out until he becomes of age to an exceedingly cruel man, the star has an opportunity to do what is probably the best acting of his career. He rises fully to the occasion and his magnificent work elicits your sympathy and holds your attention throughout. You suffer with him the hardships he undergoes. It is a vivid, forceful story, rich in human interest, though in a somewhat depressing vein, dealing throughout with the unmerited hardships that the hero undergoes, until the final happy ending occurs. The only thing that lightens the effect of the gloomy story is a pretty romance, as the girl who is way above him in the social strata sticks to him through thick and thin. There is no attempt at comedy relief except in one scene in the courtroom and it hardly seems in keeping with the occasion.

In the big scene where the bond boy in his cell awaiting execution for a murder he did not commit, sees on the wall the swinging shadow of the rope on the scaffold, Barthelmess does some of the finest acting ever seen on the screen. His work is very real and though he almost goes insane he does not overact or indulge in mock heroics. Excellent, too, are the scenes where he is chased across country by bloodhounds, and his utter dejection when he is captured again.

Jones was very absent minded. One day he was invited to go and play tennis at the club. He got ready in rather a hurry. As he dashed down the ball he snatched up some balls and put them in his bag. When he arrived at the club he thought the bag felt very heavy, so he looked in it.

"Confound it!" said Jones. "I've brought the potatoes! Now, if Mary's boiled the tennis balls, I'm done!"

AL FRESCO FETE.

YESTERDAY'S ENJOYABLE FUNCTION.

RAFFLE RESULTS.

Combining pleasure with the aid of an organisation which is noted for its benevolent work, the 42nd al fresco fete of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul provided a suitable and very enjoyable afternoon and evening for hundreds of people in addition to swelling considerably the funds of the society and providing very substantial prizes for a few of the lucky ones.

The fete was held yesterday from 2.30 p.m. onwards in the grounds of the Roman Catholic Cathedral which with the aid of electric and acetylene light, flag drapings, festoons and avenue stalls was turned into a veritable fairyland. The weather was ideal and from the early afternoon onwards there was a stream of cars along Caine Road in the direction of Glenalee.

From this entrance one walked through gay decorations, lit up in the evening with twinkling lights of many hues, to the bazaar proper which was thronged with people, more particularly where the indefatigable auctioneers or sellers of raffle tickets harangued the crowd on the extreme probability of winning rings and other valuable gifts being won by the particular ticket which followed in the book.

On the whole, excellent value was given for the money, however, more particularly at the pastimes where one had tangible evidence of one's luck in the shape of parcels tied on to the strings one pulled. At the Dairy Farm stall, too, one was sure of getting something, hams, turkeys, sucking pigs, etc., being obtained in this way.

The sale of chocolates and cigarettes proceeded on the grounds and here again excellent value was given. Teas, lunches, etc., and hot and cold drinks were obtainable at all hours (Café Wiseman catering), a military band discoursed sweet music, and altogether the function was a most attractive one.

COMMITTEE AND WORKERS.

The Bazaar Committee of which Mr. Alves was president, included Mr. C. de Albuquerque e Castro, Mr. A. A. Alves, Mr. Arthur Alves, Mr. M. F. Baptista, Mr. F. H. Barnes, Midshipman Bartlett, Mr. L. A. Barton, Mr. A. H. Basto, Mr. C. H. Basto, Mr. J. M. Castro Basto, Comdr. Stefano Carrara, Mr. F. X. D'Almada e Castro, Mr. Leo D'Almada e Castro, Mr. W. J. Carroll, Mr. T. Cashman, Mr. Choa Po-Sien, Mr. Robert Choa, M. Yves de Courthial, Mr. W. S. V. Curtis (Hon. Secretary), Mr. S. Danenberg, Midshipman Dickens, Mr. F. H. Dillon (Vice-President), Mr. H. Dixon, Mr. T. W. Doyle (Hon. Treasurer), Mr. E. J. Figueiredo, Mr. F. P. da Graça, Mr. J. A. M. da Graça, Mr. William M. Harlow, Capt. Haigh (East Surreys), Mr. Leung Tun Hsueung, Mr. Li Yat Chai, Surg-Comdr. A. Sinclair Loutit, Mr. J. M. Noronha, Mr. A. O'Donoghue, Surg-Com. O'Flynn, Mr. A. F. Osmund, Dr. Ozorio, Mr. J. Graca Ozorio, Mr. J. J. dos Remedios, Mr. M. A. dos Remedios, Mr. Jorge Ribeiro, Mr. Julio Ribeiro, Mr. A. G. da Rocha, Mr. C. A. da Roza, Mr. C. F. X. da Roza, Mr. H. F. Rozario, Mr. J. P. Sherry, Mr. A. F. B. Silva, Neto, Mr. P. M. N. da Silva, Mr. Simon Tse Yan (Vice-President), Mr. Andrew Tse, Mr. E. V. M. R. de Sousa, Dr. B. de Souza, Dr. A. M. Vaden, Mr. P. A. Xavier, and Mr. B. A. Young.

The stall-holders were: Shooting Gallery.—Mr. and Mrs. A. J. V. Ribeiro, Mr. and Mrs. Luz, Mr. and Mrs. Alvaro Gutierrez, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Souza, Mrs. Evelyn Sales, Messrs. Alfredo Ribeiro, Carlos Ribeiro, L. G. Castilho, Alberto Baptista, Luis Barros.

American Stall.—Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Osmund, Mr. S. Danenberg, Mr. J. M. R. Xavier, Mr. C. M. Xavier, Mr. D. C. Baptista, Mr. J. C. Barretto, Mr. C. F. Roza, Mr. A. S. Roza, Mr. F. Britto, Mr. L. C. Xavier, Mr. L. G. Xavier, Mr. Ogby, Mr. D. P. Lopes, Mr. A. A. Mathias, Mr. F. Alves, Mr. W. Loureiro, Mr. M. Souza, Mr. E. Esteban, Mr. H. M. Remedios, Mr. L. A. Osmund, Mrs. Margal Ferreira da Rocha, Miss Elva Alves, Miss Alda Alves, Miss Hortencia Jorge, Miss Aliza Jorge, Miss Delinda Lopes, Miss Betty Noronha, Mr. Mimi Noronha, Miss Emilia Silva, Miss Idalina Remedios, Miss Emma Remedios, Miss Celeste Osmund, Miss Classy Xavier, Miss M. de Roza, Miss Marie Souza, Miss Carmelita Britto, Miss Alda Britto, Miss Yolanda Britto, Miss Maria Luiza Gutierrez, Miss Maria Gutierrez, Miss Albertina Garcia, Miss Leonor Xavier, Miss Archy Ozorio, Miss Alda Silva.

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A.D.C.

"A LITTLE BIT OF FLUFF"

FINAL PERFORMANCE.

A full house at the Theatre Royal on Saturday witnessed the final performance of "A Little Bit of Fluff" and evidently enjoyed the numerous humorous situations which the piece abounds. At the fall of the curtain the members of the cast were the recipients of handsome bouquets and boxes of chocolates.

"Gems" from answers to language papers at a recent school examination:—

"Béux esprit."—Men of wit and humour; magazine editors.

"Esprit de corps."—Dead men's drink.

"Faux pas."—Side-slip.

"In extremis."—Stony broke.

"Maximam opus."—Hard labour.

"Older dictum."—Oh, bitter saying!

"Prima donna."—First subscription.

"Vis comica."—Comical appearance.

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Xmas Tree Stall.—Mrs. Dillon, Mrs. Cashman, Mrs. Madden, Mrs. Everest.

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MOTOR-CAR DRAW. The draws for the 1926 motor-car (an Austin family model, fully equipped), for which 3,500 tickets were sold, and for other prizes were made by Miss Hazeland at 11 p.m. and resulted as follows:

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Marble Clock.—Ticket No. 72.

Fruit Basket.—Ticket No. 2,089.

Table Centre.—Ticket No. 2,984.

Cake Basket.—Ticket No. 566.

Rocking Horse.—Ticket No. 1,535.

RUGGER TRIAL.

NAVAL TEAM DEFEAT THE CLUB.

H.K.M.C. FAIL TO SCORE.

This game held at Happy Valley ground on Saturday afternoon was regarded as an interport trial. Both teams showed changes, whilst Noronha of the Club played scrum half for the Navy.

Club Team:—Montague Smith, McMaster, Bowker, Lammert, Rushton, Symmers and Ralph; Lee, Foster, Middleton Smith, Billingham, O'Connor, Davies, L. Smith, and Millar.

Navy Team:—Rippington, Chait, Mount, Florence, Rothwell, Noronha, and Northwood; McTaggart, Archer, Kinnane, Bradford, Hathaway, McDonald, Edwards, Duckworth.

Referee: Mr. B. Tickle.

The Club kicked off but were soon on the defensive. A fine breakaway by McTaggart looked dangerous, a good tackle stopping him on the line. Even play followed although it was inclined to be scrappy, no doubt owing to the faulty handling on both sides. Lammert was getting in some useful kicks to touch, which always gained ground, and saved his forwards.

The Navy got settled down in their opponents' "25" and were out for a score which came their way shortly after. Northwood received the ball from Noronha, and breaking clean through the defence, scored between the posts. Rothwell missed the easy kick at goal. After this success the Navy continued to attack, and kept the Club well within their own half. Rippington, at full back, was playing a sound game, his kicking and fielding being far ahead of his vis-à-vis, Middleton Smith, who seemed to be a bit out of form. Just on the interval Rothwell had a nice break through, and when tackled passed inside. Chait eventually secured possession and scored at the corner. The kick failed.

Half-time: Navy, 2 tries, 6 points; Club nil.

After the interval the Club attacked. A fine run by Lammert looked promising, but nothing came of it. McTaggart led his forwards well, and a clever piece of footwork on his part carried the Navy into the Club's "25". From a faulty pass Northwell gathered the ball, and when opposed, passed to Rothwell who had no difficulty in scoring. Edwards' kick at goal was successful. At this point of the game the Club were a beaten side and had to be content with being on the defensive. The Navy had now the upper hand. Their three-quarters were handling well, and got plenty of the ball, owing to the good service from the base of the scrum. Their next score was the result of a good combined movement on the part of the "threes". All of them handled and passed well. This resulted in Florence touching down. Edwards' kick went off the mark. Following up his own kick, which Montague Smith failed to gather, Rippington secured possession, and scored at the post. A good effort for a full back. The kick was unsuccessful.

Result: Navy, 1 goal, 4 tries, 17 points; Club nil.

The game on the whole was inclined to be scrappy, and only now and again a bright bit of play was to be seen. The Navy fully deserved their victory on play, and were superior to their opponents in every department. McTaggart was the outstanding forward of both sides and played a very good game. Rothwell and Rippington also played well and had a good day in the victory. The Club were disappointing and lacked combination. Lammert was good in parts, but did not play his usual game.

Joe: "Bill, what's a cosmopolitan?"

Bill: "Well, suppose you was a Russian Jew, you was a Russian Jew, and married to a Chinese woman, and you had just finished an Irish stew, and you was smoking a Turkish cigarette, while a nigger band outside was playing 'The Blue Bells of Scotland,' then you'd be a cosmopolitan."

How scanty is the knowledge of our rough island story among the great majority of Englishmen was illustrated again in Trafalgar Square. Pointing to the Nelson Column a little fellow asked a youth of at least 20 autumns, "Who is 'that up there, please?'"

"I dunno," was the reply, "but should think it's a Frenchie called Boney-party."

"SECRET SOCIETY."

DISCLOSURES BY MR. O'HIGGINS.

MYSTERIOUS EX-OFFICER.

Mr. Kevin O'Higgins, Minister of Justice, in his speech at Dungarvan (Co. Waterford), made mysterious references to a secret society, which, he says, he has discovered, operating to the disadvantage of the Irish Free State.

Although it can hardly be said that Mr. O'Higgins has finally exercised certain secret organisations in the Army, his new discovery is quite intriguing, but he was unfortunately very reserved as to details. Apparently he regards it as of some gravity, for he mentioned it to his Dungarvan audience only after consultation with his colleagues.

The disclosure of Mr. O'Higgins is to the effect that recently he was made aware that certain persons, resident in Dublin and its suburbs, had been canvassed to join or subscribe to a secret organisation, the object of which is described as being to combat certain anti-British trade tendencies which are supposed to be manifesting themselves within the Free State.

BRITISH "LACK OF VISION." Mr. O'Higgins, in the course of his speech, said that the agent of this secret organisation, an ex-officer, emphasised the usefulness which he foresaw for his organisation. At the moment, he explained, he was concentrating on the Shannon scheme, fomenting disturbances and difficulties of one kind or another, and had hopes that ultimately the project would be rendered abortive. Having achieved that, he hoped further fields of useful endeavour would present themselves.

Further, Mr. O'Higgins said that there were no anti-British trade tendencies in the Free State that he was aware of. They had here an undeveloped country, which certain other countries had realised and had been quick to make proposals to the Government and local authorities, which on examination seemed to be mutually advantageous. That was why there were Belgians in Carlow, Germans in Limerick, and Frenchmen were about to instal an improved cleansing system in Dublin.

No rival proposals were forthcoming from British sources. "When British engineers or commercial men have the vision to see, and the initiative to undertake and exploit, an opportunity, they will find the same readiness to do business with them. We are not sentimentalists in matters of trade development."

EXECUTIVE ALERT.

He added that he was forced to the conclusion that this object of the secret organisation was simply to prevent any development whatever in the Free State, and to keep it as a sort of kitchen garden for another country, but development was going to continue, despite any forces, secret or open, that were called into existence to obstruct it.

If at any time the activities he had referred to became any less negligible or less contemptible than they were at present, the Executive Council would seek from the Dail the fullest powers requisite to deal with them.

He did not suggest that the wage difficulty at Limerick was due to a conspiracy to render the Shannon project abortive, but such a conspiracy did exist, and he warned those in organised labour bodies or in bodies of ex-Servicemen, British or Irish to beware of its agents who would endeavour to exploit and bedevil for their own ends the situation created by the stoppage at Limerick.

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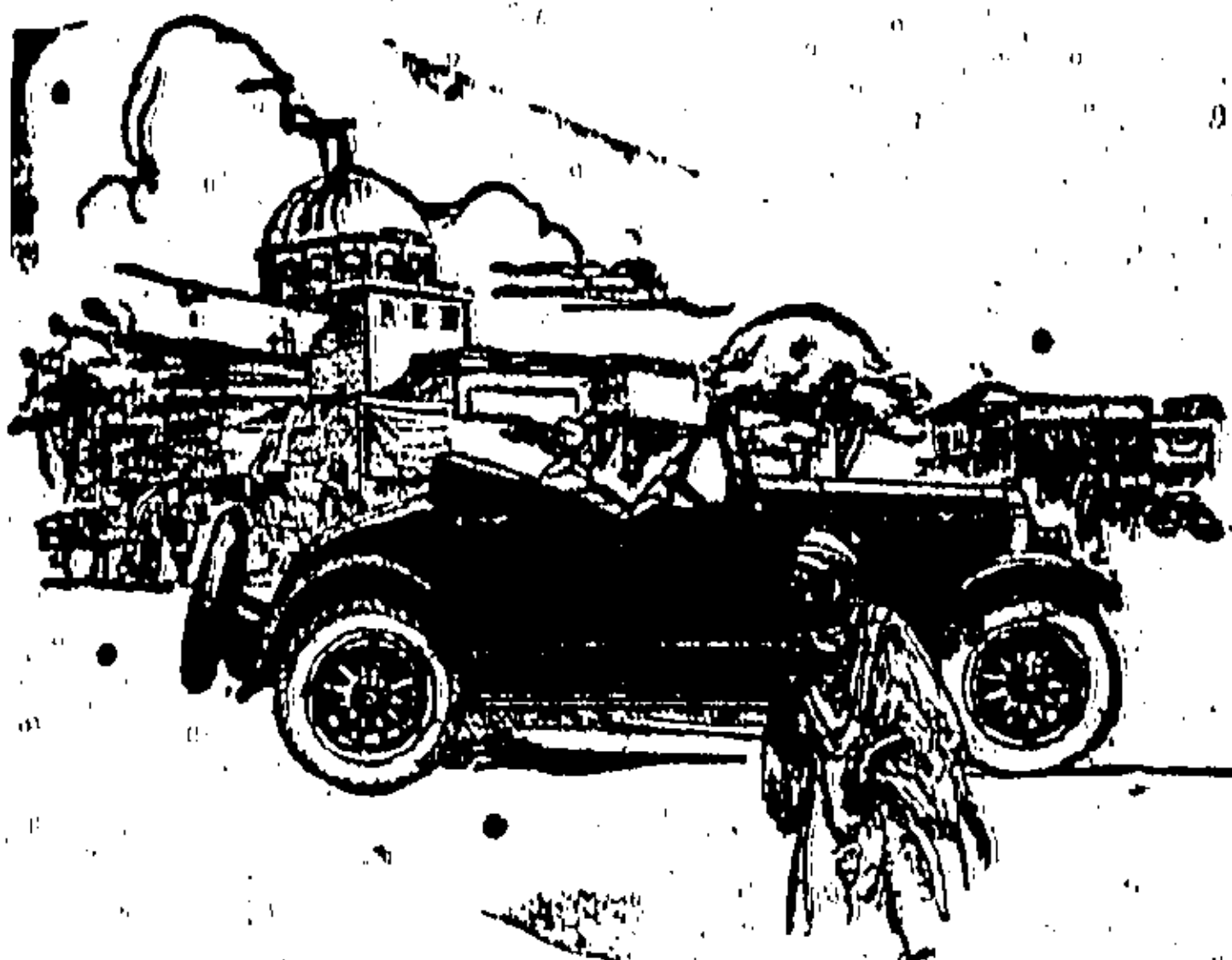
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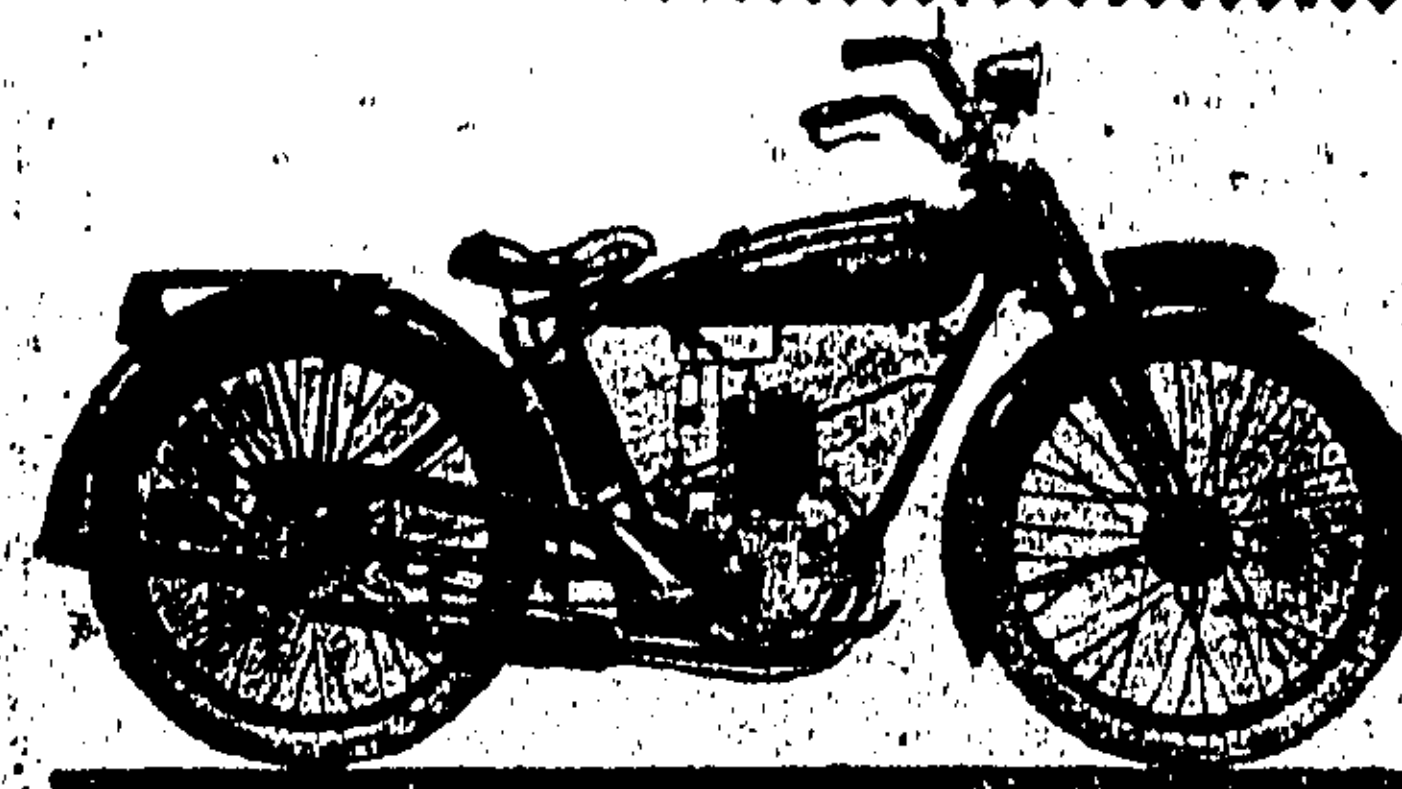
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The International Traders, Ltd., hope to make arrangements for the reopening of the Bon Vista Hotel, Mueno, by Christmas or early New Year.

There will be a Public Lecture at the Helena May Institute this evening at 5.30 p.m. given by Professor J. R. Shellhear, D.S.O., entitled "Early Man in Borneo." Admission free.

The Infantry Company, Scottish Company, and the Mounted Infantry Company of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps participated in a field day at Fanling yesterday. A strong muster turned out and field firing practices and other training was carried out.

The Cathedral Architect reports that St. Peter's Church, West Point, is in an unsafe condition. The Council of the Church have recently sanctioned urgent repairs costing almost two thousand dollars. An appeal is to be made immediately to raise this sum.

Messrs. Lane, Crawford, Ltd., have just published their general catalogue for 1926. It is a book of 225 pages and a regular mine of useful information for all householders. Without it one does not realise the wide range and variety of the goods on offer by this big departmental store, and, moreover, it is an exceedingly useful publication for checking prices. A copy should be in the possession of every family and Messrs. Lane Crawford will be pleased to supply them on application. The catalogue covers all sections of the business with the exception of the grocery department. The groceries price list, owing to the constant fluctuations, is issued monthly.

A final dividend of 5 per cent. free of Income Tax, for the year ended June 30, 1925, has been declared by the Kailan Mining Administration.

The Second Concert in aid of the Organ Fund will be given in the Cathedral Hall on Wednesday, next December, at 6 p.m. (sharp). The Hongkong Male Voice Choir—(Conductor, Mr. Stanley Collett), will assist and the soloists are Mrs. Minney, Mr. Li Chor-chi and Mr. H. E. Gardner. Tickets (one dollar) may be obtained from the Organist, at the Cathedral Hall.

Messrs. Vernon & Smyth, in their weekly share report, say:

During the week under review business in the Local Share Market opened with some enquiry and rates generally took a turn for the better though only a small volume of business resulted; sellers holding off for better prices which still show a large capital depreciation; during the latter part of the week enquiry has not been so much in evidence and although the market closes firm very little business has been negotiated. The money market still appears to be tight in spite of a possible lifting of the boycott in the near future, when this becomes a fact we believe all stocks will show considerable advancement or at least nominal rates to-day will revert to buying prices.

The Shanghai Market has been active during the week especially in "Rubber" and "Cottons" where a huge volume of business has been done both for cash and forward delivery.

With "Rubber" Ltd. up again in Singapore the market there has been active throughout with still an upward tendency, business has been done in almost all local stocks and the market closes firm with buyers predominating. "Tin" closes firm with less business passing.

The Chinese press reports that Marshal Sun Chuan-fang proposes to reorganise the Shanghai Chinese police and to increase their number to 5,000 strong in order to preserve peace and order locally.

A certain busy City man in London has a very good method of dealing with barbers. As soon as he is seated in the chair he says: "Cut the whole three-short." "What three?" asks the barber. "Hair, whiskers, and chatter," replies the busy man.

One really extraordinary achievement of the Mormons was the erection of a great building with absolutely perfect acoustics. This is the vast Mormon Tabernacle at Salt Lake City, with its egg-shaped auditorium and seating accommodation for 9,000 people. The splendid acoustic properties of the building greatly impressed that keen observer, the late Lord Leverhulme, and he declared that it was, for once, no exaggeration to say that the dropping of a pin on the platform of the Tabernacle could really be heard at the other end of the building.

Dr. Temple, Bishop of Manchester, speaking at the luncheon of the Manchester Publicity Club, last month, warned his hearers that religion could not be worked by "stunts." Giving an example of the kind of publicity he deprecated, Dr. Temple said: "You see in America this sort of Church announcement: 'If you will come inside here you will hear a Church vespers by massed choirs.' The chief evil from which our age is suffering (he continued) is restlessness and dissipation. We are not sufficiently quiet at any period of life, or for any length of time, to strike deep roots. In consequence we have, comparatively speaking, practically ceased to grow great individuals."

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Rev. E. K. Quick of St. Stephen's College, leaves on the 16th inst. He is not returning. His going will be a distinct loss to local cricket.

Father Jose Algue, whose name is so well known throughout the East for his work at the Manila Observatory, is reported to be retiring from the Directorship of the Weather Bureau owing to failing eyesight. It is stated that in that event he will receive a life-long pension under the Philippines Retirement Act. Father Selga, the present Assistant Director, is mentioned as his successor.

The second gramophone concert was given in the lounge of the Hotel Metropole yesterday, at 9.15 p.m. The Anderson Music Co. kindly lent one of the recent Grafonola models and some of the new process records for the occasion. The programme included numbers from the operas Othello, Carmen, Rigoletto and Pagliacci and instrumental items by W. H. Squire and others. Madame Clara Butt was also represented, and the famous 850 voices record was included. The recital was under the direction of Mr. R. Wilson of Messrs. Trollope and Colls Ltd.

It is an interesting fact that the Chief Scout Sir Robert Baden Powell is an artist of considerable ability. At the recent show of pictures and sculpture by Army Officers, one of the most striking exhibits was a modelled figure of a Boy Scout. This was one of Sir Robert's productions. To the same exhibition he contributed several paintings. Sir Robert is a great believer in the educational values of art in general and modelling in particular, and at his Hampshire home his children are encouraged to follow the paternal example in a large sandpit specially prepared for them.

A large portrait of King George, by Mr. Charles Sims, Keeper of the Royal Academy, who was commissioned by the Council of that body for this one of its series of "Royal Portraits," has been rejected. Exhibited at the Academy last year, it provoked controversy because of the rather odd pose of the slight figure within mountainous robes. Sir Frank Dicksee, President of the Royal Academy, told the "Westminster Gazette" that the rejection was quite an amiable affair. "There was considerable difference of opinion," he said, "when the proposal for the purchase was brought before the Academy, so Mr. Sims decided to withdraw it rather than reopen a controversy."

Miss V. M. Aspinall leaves for home this month after your years of service at the Diocesan Girls' School, Kowloon.

The seventh ordinary yearly meeting of shareholders of the China Light and Power Co. (1918), Ltd., is advertised for December 21, at 11.30 a.m.

There will be no Watchnight service at the St. Andrew's Church on New Year's eve, as the noise of Chinese firecrackers renders a service quite impracticable.

Among the passengers who left for San Francisco by the "President Pierce" on Saturday, was Mr. A. E. Dome, of the Chinese Y.M.C.A., the well-known physical instructor and baseball player.

Lieut. D. A. Searle, 1st Bn. East Surrey Regt., rejoined the Unit from a course of instruction at Home per the s.s. "City of Cairo," Lieut. C. J. Yeo, of the same Regiment, returned from a similar course of instruction per the s.s. "Kashgar."

Visiting a London hospital the Rev. "Tubby" Clayton, of "Toc H" fame, found a dying ex-soldier whose one desire was to see the Prince of Wales, with whom he had been in close contact in France during the War. It was midnight before the request could be communicated to His Royal Highness, who reached the hospital just in time to grip the poor fellow's hand before he died.

At the last meeting of the Kobe Women's Club, on November 17, the Rev. W. H. Erskine spoke on "Japanese Customs and their Meaning." Mr. Erskine recently published a book on this subject, which has been very well received. His theme is one that is susceptible of a good deal of argument, as he finds analogies between Oriental and Western customs, beliefs, and ideals, and founds on these a theory of the unity of human aspiration.

On November 17, Miss Ruth St. Denis and Mr. Ted Shawn were guests of the American Women's Club at Tea. Miss St. Denis graciously favoured the club with a vivacious talk on interpretative dancing and what she conceives to be a new American renascence for the dance. Miss St. Denis was followed by Mr. Ted Shawn who spoke of the aims and purposes of the Denishawn school of dancing, adding that they were working towards the establishment of an all-American ballet.

Chantapine's appearance at the Albert Hall reminds a reader of a conversation which he overheard on the occasion of his last visit. Two ladies listened with great attention to his first song; then one turned to the other and said, tentatively: "He's a tenor, isn't he?" The other looked at her, in surprise. "He sounds like a baritone!" she affirmed. Hastily they turned to the programme, and naturally discovered that the great singer is a bass. That is the result of having a voice of unusual range.

Out of Russia has come a strangely designed flat gold box, studded with precious jewels, reputed to be the cigarette case of Rasputin, "the Mad Monk," who wielded a powerful influence over the Czar and who was assassinated during the war. The case is now in the possession of M. Milan, of Boston, who purchased it from Jacques H. Jopkeen. Jewellers have appraised the value of the metal, stones and workmanship at more than \$2,000. Evidence that the case was the property of Rasputin is said to be good and, it is said, is strengthened by the story of a gift by the Czarina of such a case to the monk.

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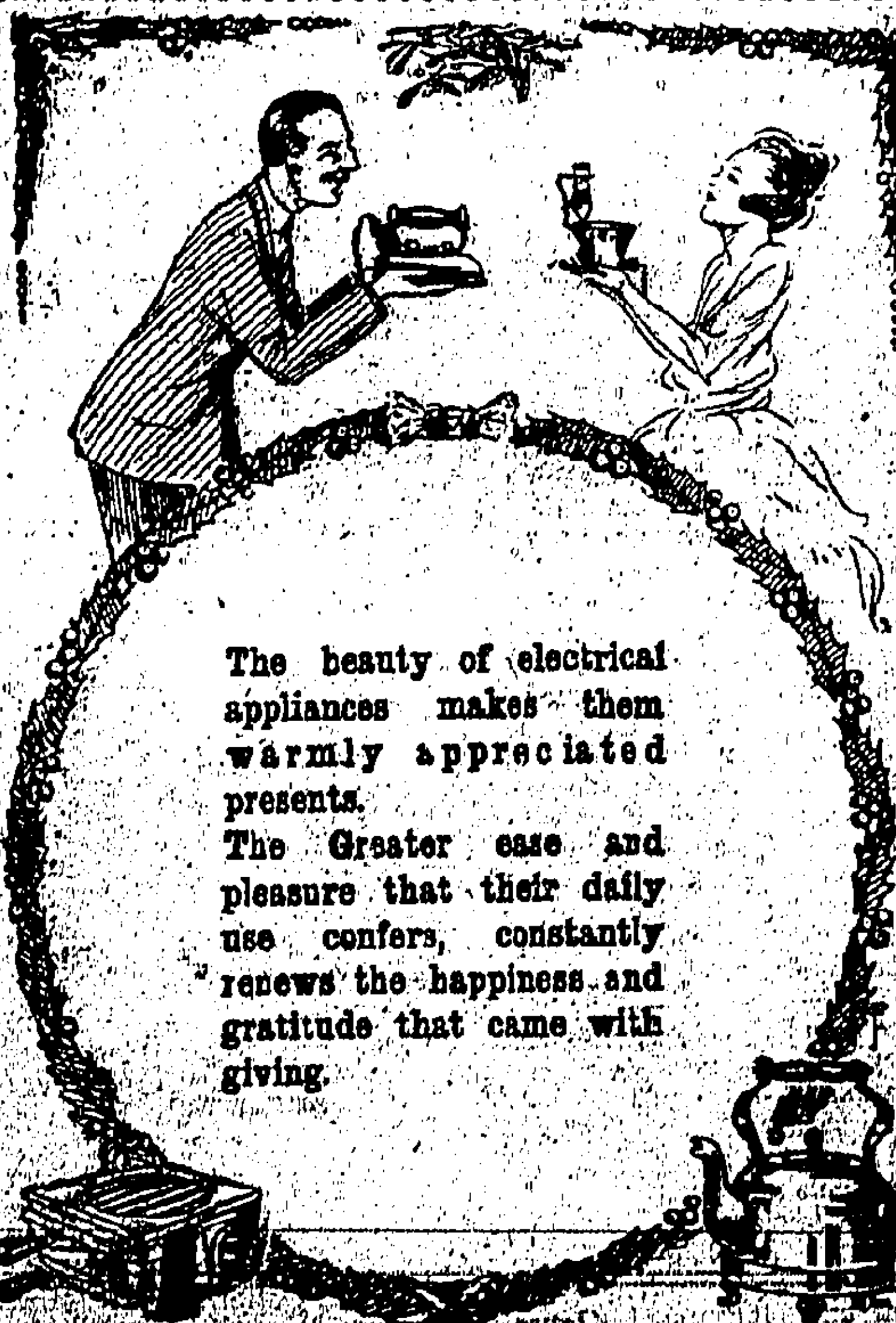
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Capital \$5,000,000 divided into 500,000 Shares of \$10 each.

Of the above shares 110,000 were subscribed for cash on the incorporation of the Company by the two Promoters, the Hon. Sir C. P. Chater and James Harper Taggart, as to 15,000 each, and by the Directors, the Hon. Sir C. P. Chater, the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak, the Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall, the Very Reverend Father Leon Robert, Robert Gordon Shewan, John Scott Hurston and James Harper Taggart as to 10,000 shares each.

On these \$3.50 per share (being as to \$2.50 one-quarter of the nominal value of the share and as to \$1.00 the premium thereon) was paid on allotment and the balance \$7.50 per share will be paid when called up on the same basis as the remaining capital.

140,000 shares credited as fully paid-up and ranking for dividend as from the 1st July, 1925, have been allotted to the China and Japan Telephone and Electric Company, Limited, in pursuance of the Agreement (hereinafter called "the Purchase Agreement") dated the 20th day of May, 1925, made between the China and Japan Telephone and Electric Company, Limited, of the one part and James Harper Taggart, on behalf of the above Company of the other part.

The remaining 250,000 shares, to rank for dividend from the 1st day of January, 1926, on the nominal amount from time to time paid up thereon but in all other respects equally with those already subscribed are now offered for public subscription. \$3.50 per share is payable on application, being as to \$2.50 one-quarter of the nominal value of the share and as to \$1.00 the premium thereon. The balance due on each share, namely \$7.50, will not be called up at present but is to be called up on subsequent demand as and when capital is required.

In allotting shares the Directors will, if there are sufficient applications from bona fide residents in the Colony of Hongkong, allot shares to such applicants only, and they will also pay due regard to the applications of telephone subscribers.

Directors.

The Hon. Sir Catchick Paul Chater, Marble Hall, Victoria, Hongkong, Member of the Legislative Council of the Colony of Hongkong.

The Hon. Mr. Percy Hobson Holyoak, of Messrs. Holyoak, Massey and Co., Ltd., Victoria, Hongkong, Merchant.

The Hon. Mr. Chow Shou Son, of the Bank of East Asia, Limited, Victoria, Hongkong, Banker.

The Hon. Mr. Robert Horne Kotewall, of China Building, Victoria, Hongkong, Merchant.

The Very Reverend Father Leon Robert, of Missions Etrangères, Victoria, Hongkong, Missionary.

Robert Gordon Shewan, of St. George's Building, Victoria, Hongkong, Merchant.

John Scott Hurston, of Prince's Building, Victoria, Hongkong, Solicitor.

James Harper Taggart, of Victoria, Hongkong, Managing Director of The Hongkong & Shanghai Hotels, Ltd.

In pursuance of the terms of the Purchase Agreement, the China and Japan Telephone and Electric Company, Limited, and the Oriental Telephone and Electric Company, Limited, or either of these Companies, so long as these Companies or either of them hold in their own right not less than 100,000 fully paid up shares in the above Company are to have the right of nominating two Directors of the Company provided such Nominated Directors are bona fide residents of Hongkong. The first nominated Directors (nominated by the China and Japan Telephone and Electric Company, Limited), are the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak and Mr. J. H. Taggart.

Bankers.
The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, Hongkong.

Auditors.
Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews, Victoria, Hongkong, Accountants.

Solicitors.
Messrs. Deacon, Victoria, Hongkong.

Registered Office.
18, Des Vaux Road Central, Hongkong.

Acting Secretary.
A. L. Terry, A.C.I.S.

(1) The Company was formed on the 24th June, 1925, for the purpose of taking over the undertaking in Hongkong of the China and Japan Telephone and Electric Company, Limited, who was the Vendor thereof and whose Registered Office is situated at Alderman House, Alderman Walk, Bishopsgate, London, England. The material terms of the bargain are set forth in the Purchase Agreement as follows:—

(2) The Vendor Company will "sell and the Hongkong Company will purchase as at the First day of July One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five the said Telephone business and the whole of the undertaking in the Colony of Hongkong and the Dependencies thereof as a going concern (with the benefit of all assets therein but exclusive of the net profits, investments, cash in hand and in the Bank and debts due to the Vendor Company on the Thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five) of the Vendor Company but free from all (debentures, mortgages, or charges of any kind and the Vendor Company save as herein specially provided for shall pay and discharge all liabilities whatsoever incurred by the Vendor Company prior to the First day of July One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five including the satisfaction of all claims in respect of staff, superannuation funds bonus funds and/or other bonus payments up to and including the Thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five. Provided always and these presents are upon this express condition that the same shall be subject to the said James Harper Taggart being satisfied with the state and condition of the plant (including cables, conduits, etc.) of the Vendor Company. The said phrase "the undertaking" shall be deemed to include:—

(a) The Goodwill of the Vendor Company as now carried on in the Colony of Hongkong and the Dependencies thereof.

(b) All the lands and buildings of the Vendor Company owned and/or leased by the Vendor Company for the purpose of its said business being the premises set out in the Schedule hereunder written subject to the rents, conditions and reservations affecting the same.

(c) All plant material stores "machinery property stock" in trade instruments furniture and utensils together with such books, accounts, documents, plans, statistics records and reports as pertain or are necessary to the conduct in continuity of the business being the property of the Vendor Company and used by it for the purpose of its business and including spare plant and stores of all descriptions (whether actually in use or not in use) without any exception whatsoever save as hereinafter mentioned in the possession of the Vendor Company or to which it is entitled and also including works of all kinds in the course of construction without exception.

(d) The benefit of all contracts and engagements entered into by the Vendor Company in the Colony of Hongkong in relation to its said business (but excluding contracts with employees of the Vendor Company for which special provision is hereafter made).

(e) The Vendor Company's rights and corresponding obligations in respect thereof relating to all wayleaves, way and all other rights and easements enjoyed and used by the Vendor Company for the purpose of its said business.

(8) The consideration for the said sale shall be the following sums, that is to say:—

(a) The sum of \$1,155,000 (One million one hundred and fifty-five thousand Dollars, Hongkong Currency) for the plant of the Vendor Company.

(b) The landed cost to the Vendor Company of all additions made to the said plant and/or property from the First day of January One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five to the Thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five.

(c) The sum of \$491,335 (Four hundred and ninety-one thousand three hundred and thirty-five Dollars, Hongkong Currency) for the land and buildings of the Vendor Company which are more particularly set forth in the Schedule hereto.

(d) The value of the stores of the Vendor Company which at the Thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five are in the possession of the Vendor Company in the Colony of Hongkong or are in transit to the Vendor Company there or for the purchase of which the Vendor Company has entered into binding contracts.

(4) The said consideration shall be satisfied (as to the sum of One million four hundred Dollars part thereof) by the allotment and issue to the Vendor Company of One hundred and forty thousand shares of the "Hongkong Company" credited "as fully paid up" ranking for dividend as from the First day of July One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five (and as to the balance "thereof" by payment in cash in Hongkong Currency in Hongkong by the Hongkong Company to the Vendor Company.

(5) The minimum subscription on which the Directors may proceed to allotment in Seven shares.

(6) The shares now offered for subscription have not been underwritten.

(7) No commission or promotion money will be paid by the Company.

(8) The Company is to pay the preliminary expenses of and incidental to the formation and flotation of the Company down to the time when it becomes entitled to commence business and also the legal costs and expenses of and incidental to the negotiations which have taken place for acquiring the aforesaid undertaking and the negotiations with the Hongkong Government arising therefrom and the obtaining of the aforesaid Ordinance, such legal costs and expenses to be incurred during the year 1925, and the estimated amount thereof is \$20,000.

(9) The Articles of Association provide that the qualification of a Director is to be the holding of 1,000 shares in the Company and that the remuneration of each of the Directors is to be \$2,000 per annum.

(10) The Directors were interested in the promotion of the Company to the extent only that they or some of them are Directors of other companies with whom the Company may do business.

(11) Copies of the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company and of the Purchase Agreement and of the Telephone Ordinance No. 9 of 1925 can be inspected at the office of Messrs. Deacons, Solicitors for the Company, at any time during business hours.

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THE SCHEDULE ABOVE REFERRED TO:

Properties Owned by the Vendor Company.

No. 2 Queen's Road Central and No. 14 Lee House Street, No. 1 Cameron Road, Kowloon, Nos. 118 and 119, The Peak, Inland Lot No. 57, Sections A & B of Inland Lot No. 339, Section A of Kowloon Inland Lot No. 540.

Remaining Portion of Rural Building Lot No. 47.

Properties Leased by the Vendor Company.

(a) Six Office Rooms in Nos. 15 and 17 Queen's Road Central.

(b) One Two-story Godown, used as Store and Workshop being No. 3a Duddell Street.

(c) Portion of land belonging to Kowloon-Canton Railway at Blackhead Point, Kowloon, for storing cables.

In addition to the allotment of 140,000 shares of the Company, credited as fully paid up, the China and Japan Telephone and Electric Company Limited has received from the Hongkong Company \$200,000 in cash on account of the consideration specified in the Purchase Agreement.

The Hongkong Company was formed for the purpose, also, of supplying telephonic communication within and between the Colony of Hongkong and its Dependencies and the New Territories for a period of Fifty years under a Concession from the Hongkong Government detailed particulars of which appear more fully in the Telephone Ordinance 1925 (hereinafter referred to as "the said Telephone Ordinance").

The Hongkong Company is authorised in charge the following annual rates with effect from the 1st July 1925:—

(a) \$108 per Exchange Line within (i) Victoria and Kowloon as defined by the Interpretation Ordinance 1911 and (ii) within the Peak District as defined by the Peak District Reservation Ordinance 1904 but substituting "700 feet" for "788 feet."

(b) \$108 per Exchange Line within a radius of one mile from any exchange that may hereafter be opened outside the areas referred to in (a).

(c) An additional charge of \$10 per mile or part of a mile measured outwards from the nearest point of the boundary of the areas referred to in (a) and (b).

(d) For extension telephones, bells, switches, switch-boards, power circuits, removals and other services of like nature, such charges as the Governor-in-Council may approve.

Should the charges above referred to be insufficient to pay to

the shareholders of the Company a minimum dividend of Eight per cent. per annum on the paid-up capital of the Company for the time being, after making provision for working and management expenses, maintenance and efficient services, depreciation and reserve, and the other deductions referred to in Section 35 of the said Telephone Ordinance, the above rates are to be raised so as to enable the shareholders to receive such minimum dividend of Eight per cent. per annum.

The amount to be written off as provided annually for depreciation is not to exceed ten per cent. on the cost of the Company's plant and equipment other than land and buildings, and the amount that may be appropriated annually by the Company to a Reserve Account shall not exceed \$50,000.

The net profits of the Company after providing as aforesaid are to be used firstly in payment to the Government of a royalty of Four Dollars in respect of each direct exchange line Telephone which has been used and paid for during the whole previous Twelve months by a Telephone Subscriber or One Dollar per direct exchange line Telephone for each period of Three months or less.

The said net profits are secondly to be applied in payment to the shareholders of the Hongkong Company of the minimum dividend of Eight per cent. per annum rising to Twelve per cent. per annum.

If the net profits be such that a larger dividend than Twelve per cent. per annum can be paid then as to the difference between Twelve per cent. and Eighteen per cent. half thereof is to be paid by way of increase of dividends to the shareholders of the Company, and the remaining half of such difference is to be set aside for the benefit of subscribers by way of reduction of the subscription rates authorised as above mentioned.

The dividend payable to shareholders is limited to a maximum of Fifteen per cent. per annum.

Any further net profits (i.e., net profits in excess of Eighteen per cent. per annum) are to be applied solely for the reduction of subscription rates.

Full particulars in respect of the above appear in The Telephone Ordinance 1925.

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DRAG HUNT.

MOUNTED TROOP OUT AT FANLING.

TWO RUNS YESTERDAY.

At the invitation of the Masters of the Mounted Drag Hunt, some of the Mounted Section, Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps, spent an enjoyable day in the New Territories yesterday.

At 8 a.m. a start was made from Dr. Pierce Grove's bungalow and the run began from the foothills below Mr. de Silva's bungalow. After going to the seventh tee at the Fanling course a kill was made behind Mr. P. C. Potts's bungalow.

In the afternoon the Hunt met at the Kennels. A drag had been laid along the proposed steeplechase course, crossing the river and rounding the Punjabis camp back to the Kennels. Here a fast and short run was made.

"WHITE WINGS."

FOURTH CHAMPIONSHIP RACES.

The fourth R.H.K.Y.C. championship races were sailed on Saturday, the course being from the Yacht Club round Stonecutters Island to starboard. There was a splendid turn out and some good sailing in a moderate breeze was enjoyed. It was a run straight down to the western end of the island and a beat back.

"Dorothea," of the Handicaps, sat on the putty on the western corner of the island, but got off again after a short while. The stoppage, however, altered her ultimate position in the race. "La Linda" brought off a win in the Handicap class for the first time this season. "Bluenose" won in the Heyward Hays and "Gael" in the combined Gael and One Design class.

The boats are given below in the finishing order.

Handicap Class.

Hcp. Finish. Course Time

Rolla 2nd 4:36 47 4:36 47
La Linda 1st 4:40 32 4:34 32
Falcon 3rd 4:45 11 4:38 41
Dina 4:46 53 4:45 23
Colleen 4:51 51 4:43 16
Dorothea 4:53 25 4:43 40

Hayward Hays.

Bluenose 1st 5:11 00
Gladys 2nd 5:12 31
Adel 3rd 5:13 23
Adanac 5:14 19
Boolum 5:17 10
Sealark 5:20 16
Lola 5:17 41

Gael and One Design.

Daphne 2nd 5:03 40
Gael 1st 3:45 06 3:02 33
Ailsa 3:05 30 3:06 30
Pierrette 3rd 3:09 20 3:04 50
Haleyoon 3:11 50 3:11 50
Joan 3:16 02 3:12 02
Thecla 3:16 36 3:09 06
Moo Sing 3:45 16 3:13 12

R.H.K.Y.C. OARS.

P.W.D. WIN INTER-HONG RACE.

Five crews competed in the annual Hong fours race at the Yacht Club on Saturday. They were A.P.C., P.W.D., Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, Hongkong Electric Co., Shewan, Tomes & Co.

The course was a mile and a very fine race was rowed in none too smooth water. The A.P.C., P.W.D. and H.K. Electric went to the front at the start and later the last named dropped back a little. The remaining two rowed a stern race side by side and were almost dead level 200 yards from the finish. Then the P.W.D. stroked called for a spurt to which his men willingly responded and with a tremendous effort they forged ahead and won over the line six feet ahead of the A.P.C.

Afterwards in the Club House Mrs. Minett presented the winning crew with silver badges in the form of crossed oars. The winners crew was K. S. Roberts (str.), W. R. Andrews, J. Baker, R. C. Keen (Bow) and H. J. Pearce (Cox).

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RECORD SCORE.

KOWLOON TROUCE CLUB DE RECREIO.

SATURDAY'S LEAGUE SOCCER.

On Saturday the record score for a senior league match this season was put up by the Kowloon F.C. whose new forward line ran up a tally of eight against Club de Recreo, the "babes" in the first division.

After tasting the fruits of victory in their last match the Police played a creditable draw with the league champions.

RESULTS AT A GLANCE.

Division I.

H.K.F.C. 1 R.A. 0
Kowloon 8 Club de Recreo 1
South China 2 "Tamar" 0
Police 1 Surveys 1

Div. II (Section A).

S. China "A" 1 Kowloon Res. 0
R.A. Res. 2 Drums 1

Div. II (Section B).

St. J. Bourgeois 4 Kowloon "B" 3
S. China "B" 2 Drums Res. 0
Muslim "A" 3 Muslim "B" 2

H.K.F.C. v. R.A.

Individualism on the part of one or two spoiled chances that the Royal Artillery had of drawing level in their match, on the Navy "B" ground, with the Hongkong Football Club for whom Forsyth scored after ten minutes' play.

The goal came from a pass by W. Stewart and Forsyth banged it in true and hard, the ball rising into the net.

Both sides missed chances to score, but on the run of the play the gunners would have been value for a point.

Hongkong F.C.—G. Rodger; Summers, Bishop; Mair, J. Stewart, Watson, W. Stewart, Forsyth, Brodie, Johnstone, Key, R.A.—Stanton; Trim, Excell; Rachel, Reade, Viccars; Grew, Smith, Harris, Pulford, Murphy. Referee—Mr. Baldwin.

Kowloon v. Recreo.

At half-time Kowloon were four up, playing on their own pitch. Gosano and Rotha, the stars of the Recreo attack had an off-day but Ogley gathered honours in the last line of defence.

Duncan, Linaker (2) and then Duncan again were the marksmen in the first session. Afterwards Linaker headed in. McBride added the sixth as the result of a corner and Duncan got the seventh.

Ogley led a forlorn hope and Gosano scored the Recreo's solitary point. Linaker then shot fourth to complete the scoring.

Kowloon:—Vickers; Wheeler, Urquhart; Turner, Sims, McKelvie; McBride, A. Duncan, Linaker, Mason, Hayes. Club de Recreo:—Fernandez; Ogley, D. Xavier; Sousa, A. A. Remedios, H. C. Remedios; Silva, Fuentes, Gosano, Rocha, Brown. Referee—Mr. F. Smith.

South China v. "Tamar."

Although they won by two clear goals the Chinese gave a shocking display of shooting or rather, of non-shooting. Opportunities that went begging were so many that count was lost, Wong Pak-chung (centre-forward) being the chief culprit both in commission and omission.

In the first few minutes the Chinese scored twice and thereafter neither citadel capitulated. Suen put in the first from a pass by his partner, Chan Kwong-in, the nippy little left-winger. Suen shortly afterwards gave nicely to Chan So, moved up from the rear-guard, to notch the second.

Before the interval Cheung Wing-shing became crooked and Lai Yuk-tat retired early in the second half. With nine men the Chinese concentrated on defence.

Ng Kam-chuen covered himself with glory in beating back raids by the "Tamar" but the Chinese have also to thank the sailors for not getting home when well placed.

South China:—Lau Hing-cheung; Ng Kam-chuen, Lai Yuk-tat; Ka Sik-wai; Weng Sui-wai, Lam Yuk-ying; Cheung Wing-shing, Chan So, Wong Pak-chung; Suen Kam-shun, Chan Kwong-in. "Tamar":—Wavish; Futler, Jones; Sandys; Cowlin, Regan; Chadwick; Hyde, Summers, Brown, Hillier. Referee—Mr. Matthews.

Earlier in the season the Police had kept the league champions down to a score of 2-2. In the re-

BOXING CHANGE.

MAIN EVENT NOT TO BE 15 ROUNDS.

TO-NIGHT'S PROGRAMME.

On Saturday night Mr. J. Brook, manager of the Hongkong Boxing Association, announced that the main event for to-night would be extended to 15 rounds.

Other arrangements have prevailed and the bout will be over 10 rounds as at first stated.

The contestants are, of course, Stoker Morrell, and A.B. Ewin, the welterweight champion of the Colony and the title will not be involved.

The balance of the programme is as published last Friday.

CARLISLE AND MORRIS.
The "China Mail" has been requested to state that Stoker Morrell declines to box C.F.O. Carlisle, the lightweight champion of Hongkong, on fixed "win, lose or draw" terms as stipulated by the latter.

Morris has trained zealously for the projected meeting.

He stipulates a split purse. The position now is that even if Carlisle were offered the amount he demands articles can still not be signed. Accordingly it will be up to the men themselves to get together and arrange terms for submission to the H.K.B.A.

turn match at Happy Valley the "Bobbies" led 1-0 till five minutes from time. However, the infantrymen did not suffer their initial defeat of the season.

Johnson deserted the pivotal position and played centre-forward for the Police. He proved a success and obtained a goal early on. A free kick for the Surveys found the mark towards the end and the points were divided as a result.

Police:—A. E. Clarke; Wynne, Harle; Brittain, Oram, Randle; Cornwall, Post, Johnson, Noonan, Simpson.

Surveys:—Douglas; Cooper, Jordan; McGreavy, Mitchell, Brittons; Charlesworth, Stairs, Hummerstone, Butler, Mackleworth. Referee—Mr. Smith, R.A.

Div. II (Section A).
South China "A" v. Kowloon Reserves.—The Chinese continued their sequence of league victories. Au Kit-sang getting in the first half the goal that mattered. In the second half I. Kau missed from the penalty spot.

Both sides played good football and the Chinese deserved both points.

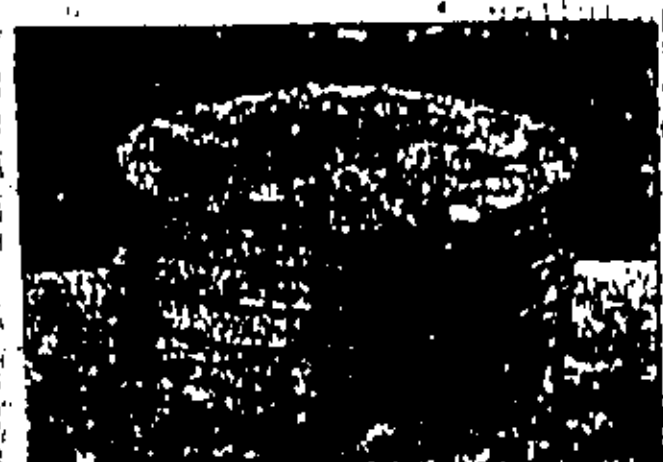
Royal Artillery Reserves v. Drums.—At Sookumpoo the gunners' second eleven led by 1-0 at lemon time. The Drums equalised but their opponents exploited a slip by the defenders and put on the winning goal.

Div. II (Section B).
St. Joseph's Boarders, on their own ground, beat Kowloon "B" by 4 goals to

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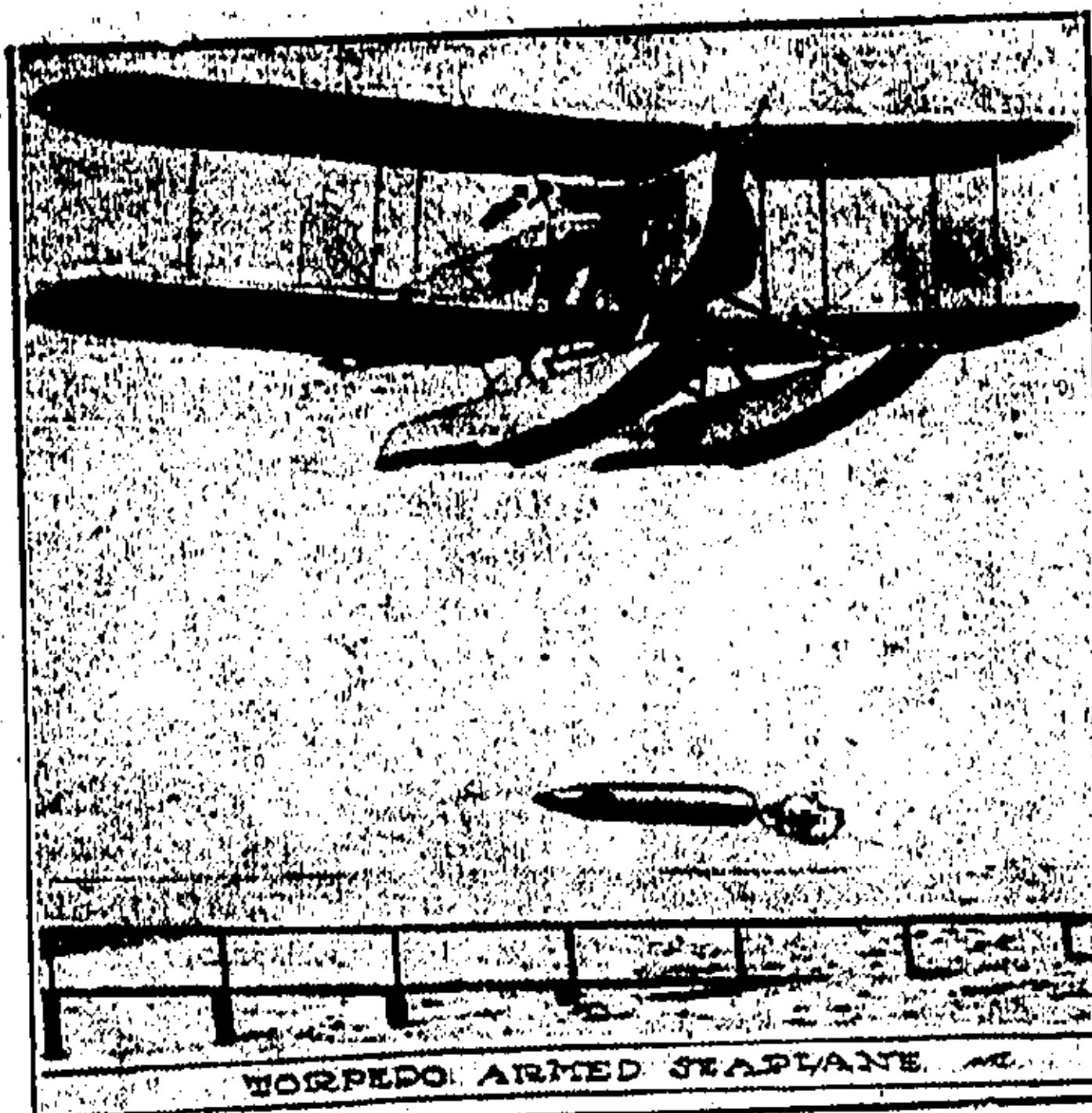
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People and Events in the News of the World

AIR DESTROYER IN FLIGHT.



Great Britain's first torpedo armed seaplane has been tested successfully. The machine was caught in flight just after it had dropped a torpedo.

RECORD?



Sheridan Russell, famous 'celist of London, crossed the ocean to New York just to play at a private concert, returning the morning after his engagement. He was in New York less than eighteen hours.

DEBT ENVOYS.



President Nicholas Titulesco, of the Roumanian Debt Commission, with Mrs. Titulesco. The success of their negotiations was cabled a few days ago.

ITALIAN PLOT FOILED.



The conspiracy to assassinate Premier Mussolini aimed also at the overthrow of the King, according to Rome dispatches. Both plots have been foiled and Gen. Luigi Capello has been accused of financing the plot to the extent of £5,000.

DEFENDS SLAYER.



Mrs. Margaret Sanger, president of the American Birth Control League, justified the killing by Dr. Harold E. Balzer, Littleton, of his imbecile, crippled daughter on the ground it was a mercy for the girl to die. Mrs. Sanger said she would condone the practice of euthanasia.



MRS. A. HARRY MOORE



JOEL STONE



JAMES E. JONES



JOHN W. SMITH

Mrs. A. Harry Moore, wife of the Governor-elect of New Jersey, happy in his victory, declares she was positive from the first he would win. Joel Stone is prosecutor of Dr. H. E. Balzer, on trial for the slaying of his imbecile daughter, who, he said, had no soul. James E. Jones has been named Director of Prohibition, which places him above his former chief, Probation Commissioner Haynes. Mayor John W. Smith scored a big victory when he was re-elected against a candidate backed by the Klan.

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